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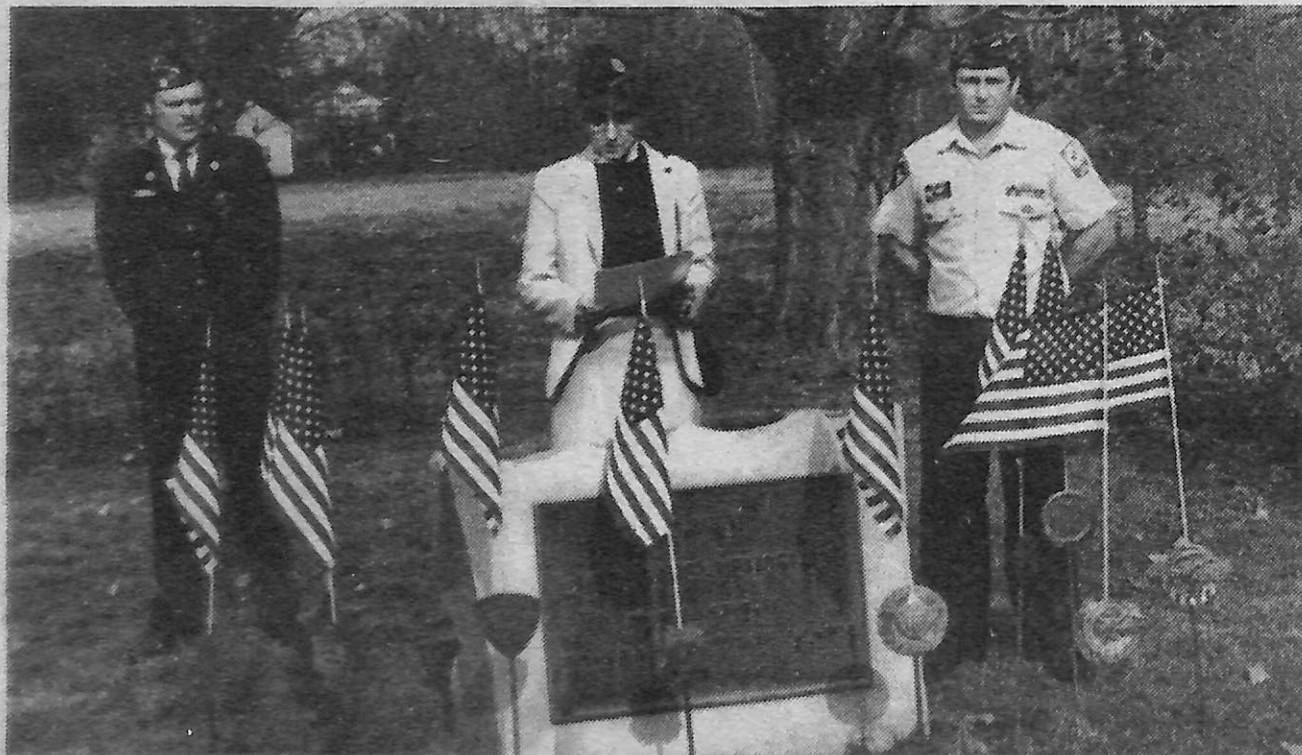
### Town Veterans Honored In Services



**AGAWAM VFW MEMBERS** Don Curran, Robert Guevin, and George Halbagdice are about to place flags around the graves of armed forces veterans on Veterans' Sunday, November 10th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**VFW COMMANDER ROBERT GUEVIN** places marker on the grave of Pearl Harbor attack veteran Louis E. Root as Edward Hottin of the American Legion, Ruth Bitzas, veterans' agent, and Glenn Seymour, American Legion commander, look on. The special ceremony was held on Veterans' Sunday, November 10th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**AGAWAM VETERAN'S AGENT** Ruth Bitzas reads dedication at the grave of Pearl Harbor attack veteran Louis E. Root, as Glenn Seymour, American Legion commander; and Robert Guevin, VFW commander, look on. Root was recently recognized by the federal Veterans' Administration for serving his country as a Pearl Harbor attack veteran. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

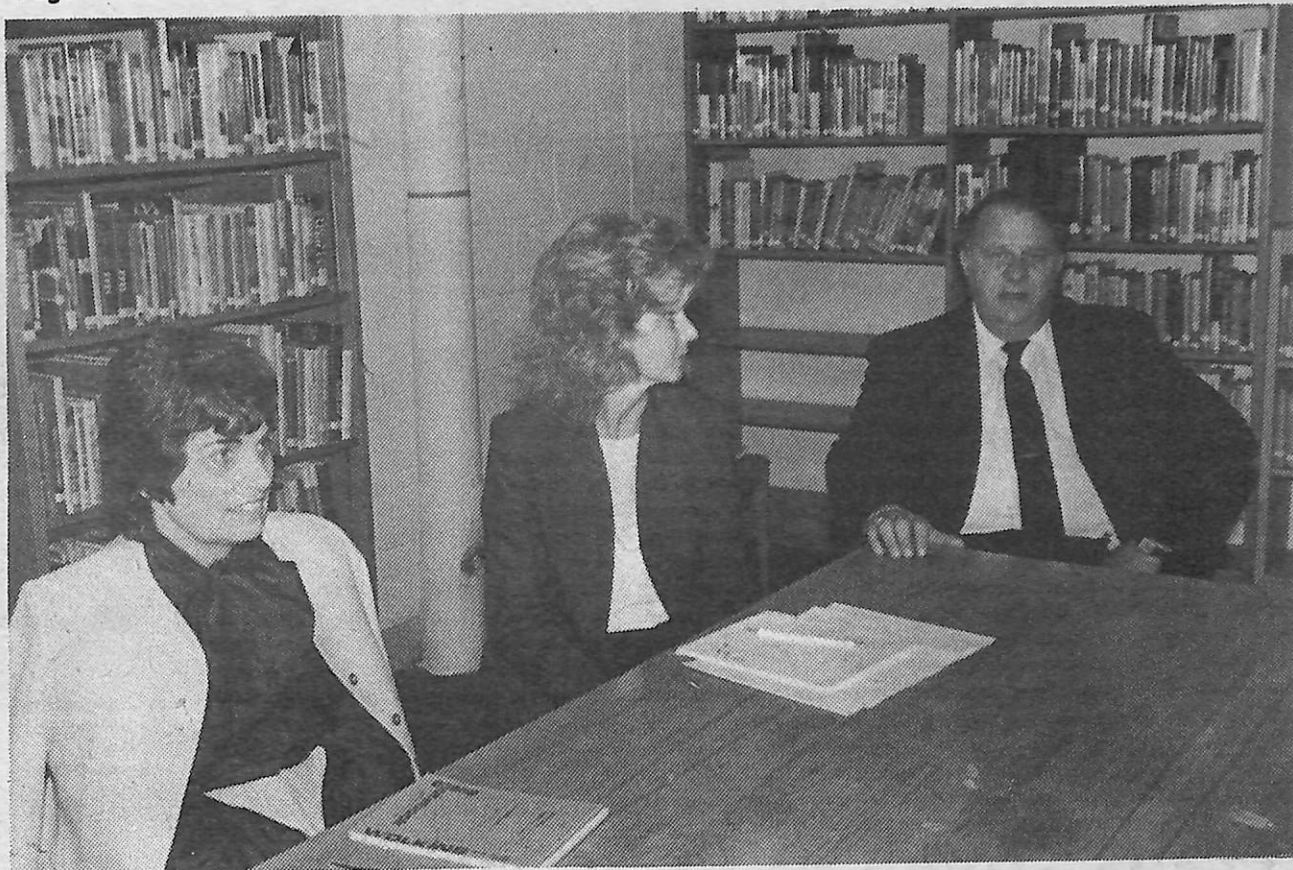
### Appraisal Day!

The Agawam Historical Association will hold its Annual Appraisal Day at the Captain Charles Leonard House from noontime to 4:00 p.m., Saturday, November 16th. Bring your treasured articles to be appraised by a professional! There is a nominal fee for the appraisal of each item. All proceeds benefit the Historical Association.

### Early Deadline!

For our Thanksgiving edition, to be out on Tuesday, November 26th, our final deadline for news and advertising is Saturday, November 23rd, at 5:00 p.m. Please be prompt for this edition. Our offices will be closed from Wednesday, November 27th at 10:30 a.m., to Monday morning, December 2nd.





**FORMER AGAWAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** president Alan Skole, owner of Chez Josef, discusses school-business partnership program with Agawam High School staff members Arlene Mazza (left) and Carol Grady, at October meeting at the high school. The two groups will again meet on Tuesday, November 19th, at the Agawam Public Library. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Agawam Chamber Welcomes Newcomers

At its recent monthly breakfast meeting, held at Chez Josef on Tuesday, October 29th, the Agawam Chamber of Commerce recognized the following businesses who have joined the 200-member organization:

**Noble Hospital**, 115 West Silver Street, Westfield; **T.I.G. Welding Service**, 257 Garden Street, Feeding Hills; **A. Boucher, Inc.**, 158 Country Road, Agawam; **Adrien Boucher**; **Pacella & Hebert, Attorneys At-Law**, 1325 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills; and **Olympic Manufacturing Group, Inc.**, 153 Bowles Road,

Agawam, Arthur Jacobson.

Also, **Fitness First, Inc.**, 60 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, Kurt & Paula Welker; **Connor Builders, Inc.**, Feeding Hills, Vincent M. Connor; **C-B Cinemas**, 866 Suffield Street, Agawam, Anthony Bertoldo; and **Terryl A. Jansons, Attorney At-Law**, 2 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills.

Any new Chamber members who wish to be recognized in this newspaper should immediately contact us so we can present an up-dated list.

## Chamber-Schools Set For Manpower Session

Part II of the Agawam Chamber of Commerce's Education and Manpower Committee's school-business partnership program will be presented on Tuesday, November 19th, from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m., in the Community Room of the Agawam Public Library.

The first meeting held between the Chamber and School Department in October was a presentation by school personnel at Agawam High to explain their cooperative education programs and the need for companies to provide jobs for students enrolled in these programs.

The Tuesday, November 19th session will give the business community the opportunity to express their needs in terms of student employment. A panel of local company representatives will give a brief, 10-minute overview of their company and part-time employment needs, according to Andrew Campbell, chairman of the Education and Manpower Committee of the Chamber.

Campbell said, "If your company would like to make a presentation on your business and its part-time job opportunities, please let us know as soon as possible. A limited number of time slots are available."

"This is an excellent recruitment opportunity for Chamber members who have need for high school students on a part-time basis either during the school year or during summer vacation," Campbell said.

Campbell said interested Chamber members should call Jean Falk at the Chamber office, 787-1540 as soon as possible. If you are unable to attend and have openings for part-time workers, please contact Paul Cavallo of the Agawam High School Guidance Department, 786-0400, (ask for guidance office at high school).

## Rep. Walsh To Hold Agawam Office Hours

State Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam) announced today that his Agawam office hours for the month of November will be held on Friday, November 15th, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m., at the Agawam Public Library Community Room.

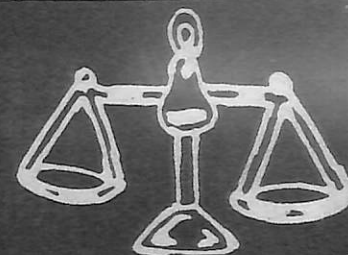
If anyone finds these hours inconvenient and wishes to meet with Walsh, please contact him, 786-4545.

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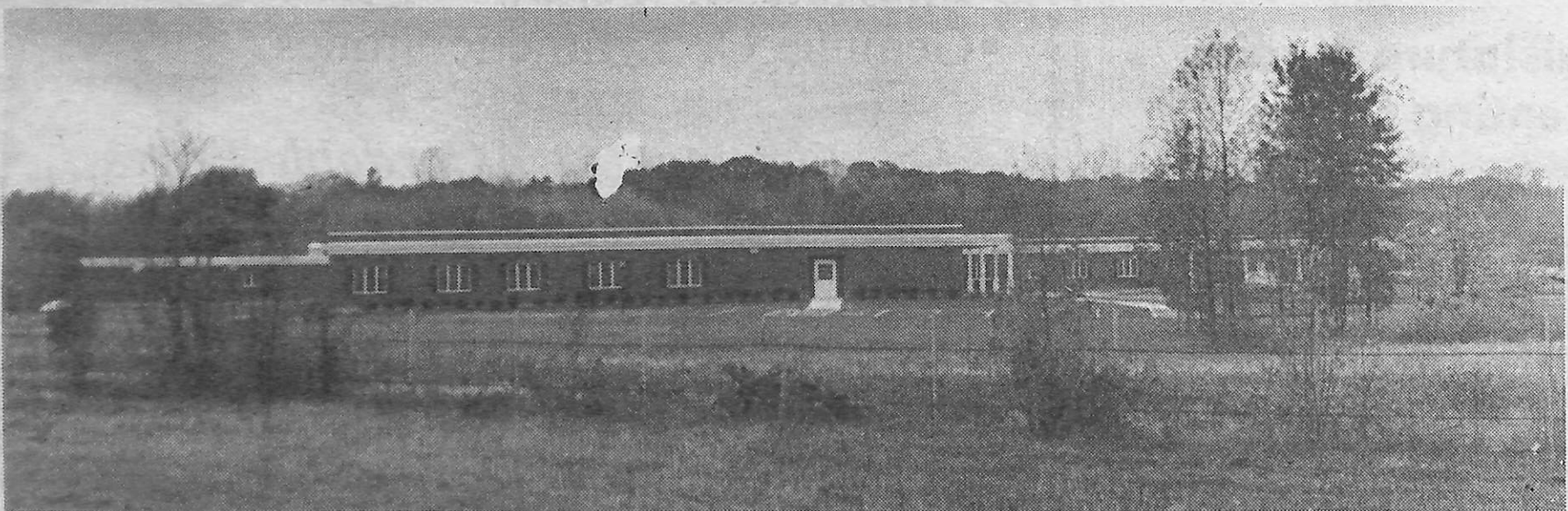
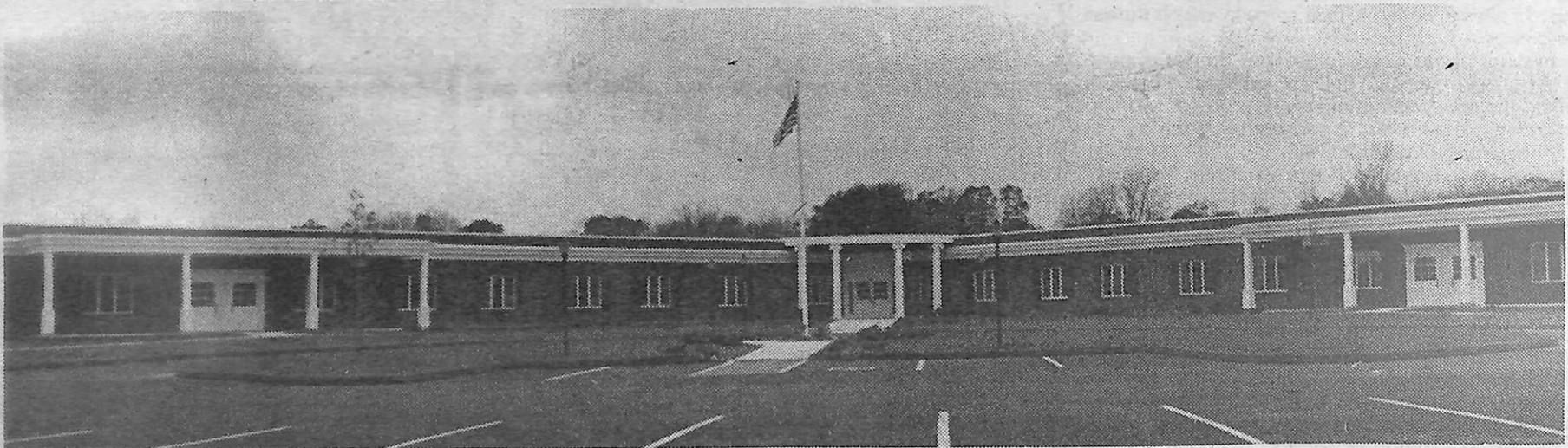
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## Bellotti Offers More Tips On Buying Cars

In Massachusetts, it is illegal for an automobile dealer to require consumers to purchase unwanted dealer-installed options or accessories as a condition of buying a new car.

The Consumer Protection Division of Attorney General Francis X. Bellotti's office has recently brought suit against several Bay State dealerships, and, in some cases, has obtained court orders prohibiting the dealers from continuing their practice of illegal "option-packing."

Attorney General Bellotti points out that option-packing can be quite profitable for the dealer, and conversely, quite expensive for car buyers who are forced to pay for options that they don't need or want.

Massachusetts' prohibition on option-packing applies only to dealer-installed options, not to options installed by manufacturers, according to Bellotti.

Some of the most commonly "packed" options include: rustproofing, paint sealant, fabric protection, mud guards, pin stripes, door edge guards, and security systems.

To guard against being victimized by illegal option-packing, the Attorney General offers the following advice:

1. **Check the sticker** on the car's window to determine which options the dealer has installed. There will be a sticker from the manufacturer listing those features and accessories which come with the car.

A separate sticker, usually below the manufacturer's sticker, will list additional options and charges added by the dealer. Always inquire about these dealer charges.

2. **Study consumer publications** and the owner's manual before deciding to buy any dealer add-ons. Some of them duplicate protections already provided by the manufacturer.

Since dealers make large profits on the options they install, they have a great incentive to convince you to buy them.

3. **If the car contains** dealer-installed options you do not want, you should ask about the availability of cars without the options. If the dealer does not have a car on his lot without the unwanted options, you should be able to order one from that dealer.

4. **If a dealer tells you** he has no control over the installation of a particular option — especially one of those listed above — ask to see some documentation of his claim.

"Always ask about any charges you do not understand," Attorney General Bellotti advises. "Dealers sometimes include additional dealer profit or markup on cars by way of an unexplained phrase, such as 'import surcharge' or 'availability fee.'"

"Although a dealer can charge whatever he wants for a car, you are entitled to full disclosure of what each charge means," he said.

Bellotti said if a charge is simply a dealer's added profit, consumers should know that, since it may help them negotiate the best price possible for their new car.

Consumers who believe they have been victims of illegal option-packing may file a complaint by contacting the Attorney General's Complaints Section at (617) 727-8400.

Or, you may call your local consumer group, which is listed under Community Service Numbers in the phone book.

## Legislature Studies Parenting Leave

Last week, Governor Michael S. Dukakis signed a resolve, initiated by the legislature, for a study commission on family economic equity. Its main thrust will be to explore the feasibility of developing standards for parenting leave.

The Massachusetts Caucus of Women Legislators strongly supported this bill, establishing it as one of its priorities for the 1985 legislative session.

"It will be the responsibility of this commission to address the need for workplace policies which aid the increasing number of all parents in the workplace by recognizing the essential roles of mothering and fathering," stated State Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield), a member of the Caucus of Women Legislators.

Added Senator Melconian, "Both natural parents and adoptive parents should not have to choose between their new child and their job. Time should be allotted for parents to begin the 'bonding' process which has been documented as crucial to the positive development of children."

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## Honoring Those Who Served Us Well...



**LOCAL AMERICAN LEGION AND VFW officials, with Town Veteran's Agent Ruth Bitzas, at special graveside ceremonies to honor Veteran's Day.** Advertiser

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# Editorial

## Town Does Has Big Interest In Y Suit

We are particularly encouraged that the Springfield YMCA and the Town of Agawam are negotiating the sale of the 34-acre former Agawam YMCA site at Perry Lane and Mill Street.

The Metropolitan YMCA closed the Agawam facility in 1982 because it said it was losing money on the facility.

The issue turned into a court battle when a group of local residents, revived under a new Agawam YMCA banner, and led by Agawam Attorney Rene Thomas, filed suit in Hampden County Superior Court in October 1984.

The suit disputes the Metropolitan YMCA's right to sell the facility. The asking price is \$250,000. Thomas said the Springfield YMCA cannot sell the land because local residents, civic organizations, and businesses donated land to build the facility in 1972. The site includes tennis courts, a pool, pavillion, and some buildings.

We supported the efforts of the new Agawam organization back in 1984 and continue our support today.

The town was first involved in a behind-the-scenes capacity under former Town Manager Katherine Pisano and Precinct 6 Councilor Peter Longo.

Now, under the urging of Thomas and other local residents, Town Manager Reid S. Charles authorized town attorneys to determine whether the town should join in a lawsuit against the Springfield YMCA in order to regain control of 34 acres of the recreational land.

Town Attorney Anthony Bonavita backed the claims made by Thomas and his group. Bonavita reported to Charles that a clause in the 1972 merger agreement between the old Agawam Y group and the Metropolitan Y bans the selling of the property without the approval of the Agawam board of directors.

According to Bonavita's findings, town residents donated 20 acres of the site which

gives the community some right to the land.

On April 19th, Superior Court Judge John F. Murphy ruled that Agawam does not have automatic right to the land, but did say there is a condition which blocks the Metropolitan YMCA from selling the land without Agawam's consent.

In otherwords, the issue must now go to trial if the issue cannot be resolved. With the town negotiating purchase, the issue can be settled without a messy trial.

In order not to embroil ourselves in legal terms and conditions which may confuse the reporting of the situation, we see it in this way:

1) Agawam residents donated the land in good faith 14 years ago. If they ever thought that the Metropolitan YMCA would sell the land after closing the facility, obviously, the land never would have been donated in the first place.

2) The Metropolitan YMCA said the venture became financially impossible to continue and no one can expect someone to operate a business that was losing money.

3) The town has a vested interest in the land. It's a beautiful recreational facility. In good faith, the Metropolitan YMCA cannot expect town residents to sit idly by and watch this land be sold to a third party.

4) The land should stay as an open space, recreational facility.

We see the reasonable and equitable solution is an agreement between the Town of Agawam and the Springfield YMCA. The town would buy the land at a FAIR price, but lower than \$250,000.

If an accord cannot be reached between the Springfield YMCA and the town, then we would expect the Y to continue in its attempt to sell the land.

We would then urge the town to join the suit, adding leverage and more legal back-up to the suit filed by Thomas' group. We see this as the only alternative the community can take to protect its vested interest in that land.

More on this later.

## Letters-to-the-Editor



### Thanks (For) Giving

#### To The Editor:

Agawam is indeed fortunate to have in its community, one of the finest long-term care facilities in the Commonwealth, where patient care is the highest priority.

The loyal and conscientious staff of employees, and the volunteers who assist with programs for the residents, are dedicated to their responsibilities.

Thanksgiving time offers us an opportunity to say, "Thanks-For-Giving" of yourselves to help those who need you!

Sincere appreciation from  
All the administrators of  
Heritage Hall Nursing Homes,  
Jean M. Clifford, Administrator

#### LEGAL NOTICE

#### TOWN OF AGAWAM Board Of Appeals

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21st, 1985 at 7:30 P.M. o'clock, to all parties interested in the appeal of JOSEPH B. MENDES d/b/a MENDES & CO. who is seeking an extension of Special Permit 969 to allow the continued restoration and salvage of heavy construction equipment on the premises known as 1786 MAIN STREET.

By order of the Board of Appeals  
Theodore A. Progulski  
Chairman

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#### AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing at 7:15 p.m., on November 21, 1985, in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing will be to hear the petition of James & Rose Mercadante to rezone approximately 32.71 acres of Agricultural and Residential A-2 to Residential A-3, land situated on the westerly side of Main Street, being further described and bounded:

Beginning at a point situated in the westerly line of Main Street, Agawam, Hampden County, Massachusetts, said point being the southeasterly corner of land, now or formerly, of O'Connor; thence running, S13°42'02"W along the westerly line of Main Street, a distance of 181.88 feet to a point; thence S15°52'53"W along the westerly line of Main Street, a distance of 19.43 feet to a point at land, now or formerly, of Frank Solitario and being Lot 2; thence N67°52'06"W along Lot 2 and land of Solitario, a distance of 295.26 feet to a point; thence S23°27'32"W along land of Solitario, a distance of 300.00 feet to land of Oden D. & Beatrice M. Baker; thence N68°30'01"W along land of Baker, a distance of 258.54 feet to a point; thence S11°18'11"W along land of Baker, a distance of 105.83 feet to a point at land of Raymond Cassella; thence N66°48'07"W along land of Cassella, a distance of 213.11 feet to a point; thence N65°52'29"W along land of Cassella, a distance of 486.45 feet to a point situated on the easterly line of Lot 14 as shown on a plan of Pineview Circle; thence N26°17'30"E along Lot 14 and Lot 13, a distance of 329.24 feet to a point at other lane of James V. & Rose M. Mercadante; thence N26°17'30"E along land of Mercadante, a distance of 384.50 feet to a point; thence N87°50'00"W along land of Mercadante, a distance of 26.20 feet to a point at land, now or formerly, of Wysocki; thence N00°40'00"W along land of Wysocki, a distance of 77.52 feet to a point; thence N00°13'40"E along land of Wysocki, a distance of 1038.30 feet to a point at land, now or formerly, of Maria Seaholm; thence N83°26'40"E along land of Seaholm, a distance of 209.58 feet to a point at land of Emerson & Merilda Campbell; thence S16°01'07"W along land of Campbell, a distance of 43.31 feet to a point; thence S80°31'50"E along land of Campbell and land now or formerly of Elizabeth M. Wolcott, a distance of 644.23 feet to a point at land, now or formerly, of Michael Demko; thence S15°35'16"W along land of Demko, a distance of 902.47 feet to a point at land, now or formerly, of Betty Bottaro; thence S14°42'57"W along land of Bottaro, a distance of 549.95 feet to a point; thence S76°17'58"E along land of Bottaro and land, now or formerly, of O'Connor, a distance of 617.33 feet to a point situated in the westerly line of Main Street, the point of beginning.

Charles R. Calabrese, Chairman  
AGAWAM PLANNING BOARD  
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## MUNICIPAL EVENTS

## COLONIAL FUNERAL HOME

Monday, November 18th  
Town Council Meeting  
Public Library  
8:00 P.M.

Thursday, November 21st  
Planning Board Meeting  
Public Library  
7:00 P.M.

Thursday, November 21st  
Board of Appeals  
Town Hall Annex  
7:30 P.M.

Wednesday, November 27th  
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# Families



MRS. RICHARD P. STEPANIK, nee Lucille J. Anderson of Feeding Hills.

## Lucille J. Anderson Marries Richard Stepanik of F.H.

The marriage of Lucille Judith Anderson and Richard Peter Stepanik was a Saturday, November 9th, candlelight event in St. David's Episcopal Church in Feeding Hills. The Reverend Leonard Cowan officiated the 4:30 p.m., ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Judith Anderson-Landers of 37 Fruwirth Avenue, Feeding Hills. The groom is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Stepanik of 85 Twin Oaks Road, Feeding Hills.

Doreen Maloney attended the bride as maid of honor. Bridesmaids included Susan Hickling, Gail Fitch, Joan Scanlon, Carol Goehrlert, and Lynn Schebel.

William Stepanik served his brother as best man. Ushers included Donald Stepanik, Al Stepanik, John Sliech, Jr., Tony Sarnelli, and Joseph Schebel.

The bride wore a gown of tissue taffeta with re-embroidered lace. The gown was designed with a cropped waistline, fitted sleeves, and high banded neckline. The full skirt flows into an untrimmed Cathedral train.

The headpiece was a Juliet covered in seed pearls with a Cathedral-length train.

Photographer for the event was Jack Halowitz.

The reception was held at Oak Ridge Country Club, Feeding Hills, with the band "Summer Breeze" providing the entertainment. The couple is spending their honeymoon in Cancun, Mexico.

The bride is a graduate of Agawam High School, attended American International College, and graduated from Bauder College in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

She is assistant manager at J & L Auto Body Supply of Agawam.

The groom is graduate of Agawam High School and is employed by Stepanik & Son Farm in Feeding Hills.

## Operation Friendship Plans Bazaar And Supper

The Feeding Hills Chapter of Operation Friendship will hold their Christmas Bazaar and Roast Beef Supper on Saturday, November 23rd, at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church.

Featured at the bazaar will be Christmas wreaths made from princess pine; Christmas decorations, hand-made gifts; toys and games; a white elephant table; and all kinds of delicious homemade foods, including candy.

At noontime, a special luncheon of clam or corn chowder, with crackers, beverage, and apple pie will be served.

From 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. there will be continuous servings of a roast beef supper. The supper will be roast beef, string beans, potatoes, tossed salad, bread, beverage, and a poke cake for dessert.

Reservations are necessary for the supper, 786-5061. The bazaar will be opened from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

## Sons Of Norway To Meet In West Springfield

Sons of Norway, Neptune Lodge 3-552, will hold its next meeting Friday, November 22nd, at 8:00 p.m., at Grace Lutheran Church, 1552 Westfield Street, West Springfield. A slide show featuring Japan will be presented.

All Scandinavians or persons interested in Norwegian culture are welcome.

For further information, contact Francis Lamoureux, social director, 583-2493.

## Agawam Clearinghouse Begins Annual Drive

The Agawam Clearinghouse, under the direction of the Agawam Junior Women's Club, has begun its 1985 Thanksgiving and Christmas Drive.

Clearinghouse is a project that organizes the charitable projects of many organizations, providing many needy families with food baskets for both Thanksgiving and Christmas, as well as toys and clothing for the children at Christmas.

Hardship and need are determined by the number of family members and immediate situations.

Gail Pirnie, this year's chairwoman, asks individuals, churches, and civic groups in Agawam and Feeding Hills to consider making donations. Donations may be in the form of canned, boxed, or frozen items, fresh fruit or vegetables, turkeys, or donations of money.

If anyone is aware of a friend or neighbor having difficulty due to prolonged illness or personal tragedy, please contact Gail Pirnie, 91 Robin Ridge Drive, Feeding Hills, 786-5536, or Aileen Semanie, 786-4472.

All information is kept in the strictest confidence.

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ARLENE ALLEN & JAMES LANE

## Arlene Allen Engaged To James Lane

Mrs. Rita Allen of Autumn Street, Agawam, and Mr. Philip Allen of Ruth Avenue, Agawam announce the engagement of their daughter, Arlene Allen, to James Lane, the son of Mr. & Mrs. Donald Lane of Robinson Drive, Westfield.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Agawam High School and of Springfield Technical Community College, with a degree in Medical Laboratory Technology.

She is presently employed by Bay State Medical Center in the chemistry-hematology department.

Mr. Lane is a graduate of Westfield High School and North Adams State College, and is employed by the Bay State Medical Center in the Blood Bank Department.

A May 16th wedding is planned.

## Feeding Hills Baptist Church Slates Crafts Fair-Bake Sale

The Feeding Hills Baptist Church, located at 18 South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, will hold a Crafts Fair and Bake Sale on Saturday, November 16th, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

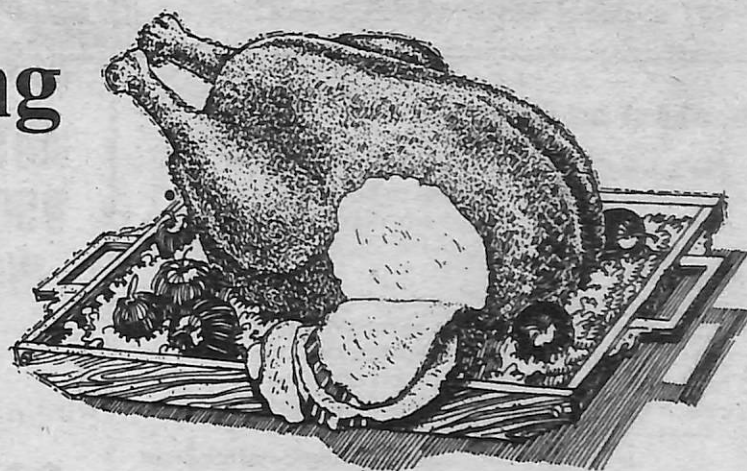
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## Turnverein Crafts Fair Held...



**THE SPRINGFIELD TURNVEREIN** on Garden Street held their Annual Holiday Crafts Fair on Saturday, November 9th. In photo above, Tiffany E. Corbett and Shirely E. Moore display handmade dolls.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



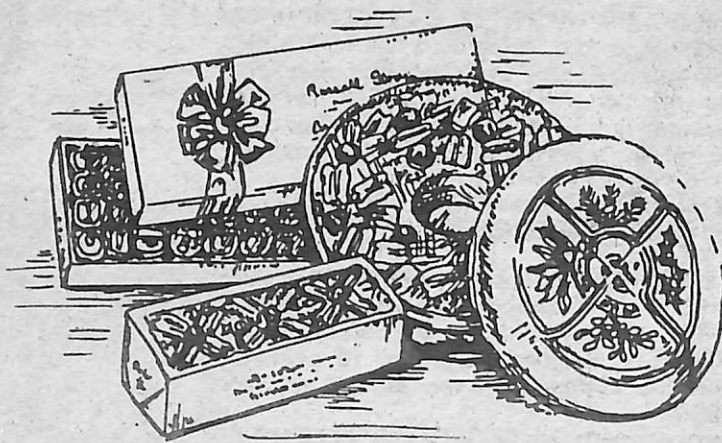
**ALL SMILES AT THE TURNVEREIN'S** Holiday Crafts Fair are, from left - Peter Nothdurft, chairman; Gail Wood, co-chairwoman; and Jack Kennedy. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### TO THE VOTERS OF AGAWAM

I wish to thank my many friends and the voters of Agawam who supported me in this election. I look forward with great enthusiasm to serving the whole Town of Agawam to the best of my ability.

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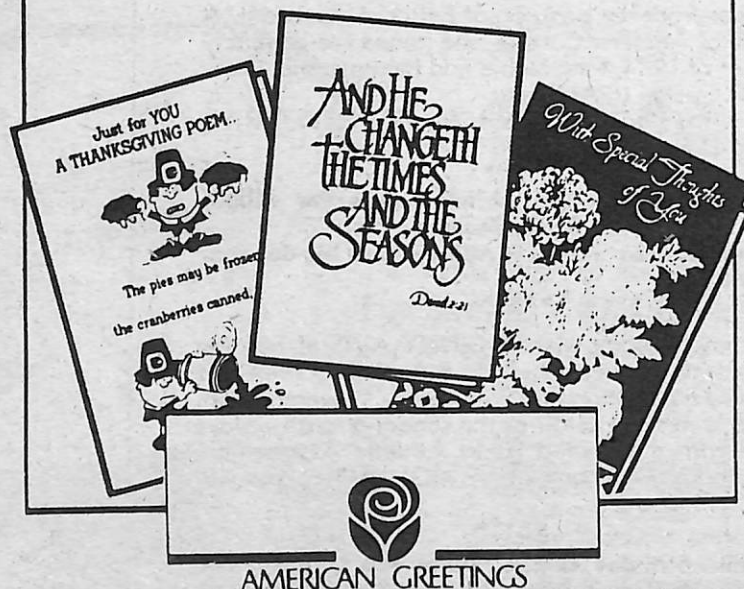
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## MORE FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS

by Vi Massoia

On November 13th, MICHELLE BELLEFEUILLE of Westford Circle, Agawam, celebrated her 16th birthday. Her Mom and Uncle Joe, with love and affection, would like to wish her a "Happy Birthday." She is a junior at Agawam High School. She takes jazz dancing lessons at Mary Ann's School of Dance in Agawam. She has been dancing for almost 10 years.

Michelle's grandparents are ANGELO MARTINO of Agawam and FRANCES BELLEFEUILLE of Holyoke.

**DOUG & ELLEN (BEAUCHANE) JANIK** of Senator Avenue, Agawam, are the proud parents of **AMANDA MARIE JANIK** who was born on Wednesday, September 25th. She weighed 8 pounds, 10 ounces. They have two other children, five year-old D.J. and six year-old CARRIE.

Maternal grandparents are **GEORGE and ELEANOR BEAUCHANE** of Homer Street, Feeding Hills, and **JOHNNY & GRACE JANIK** of Royal Lane, Agawam. Congratulations to all.

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Friends from the Sacred Heart Bingo in Feeding Hills (held on Friday nights) would like to send anniversary wishes to **BOB & CAROLINE COELLN** of North West Street, Feeding Hills. They were married in Great Neck, New York on November 5th, 1966.

They have two children, **ROBERT & DENISE (DEE DEE)** as she prefers to be called.

Congratulations on your 19th.

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The "Man of the Hour" Thursday afternoon, November 7th, when the Agawam Senior Citizens' Bowling League met to bowl, was **AL GEOFFRION**. Al's birthday was Friday, November 8th, but on Thursday he got kissed by all the ladies, a handshake from the other gents and everyone sang "Happy Birthday."

He turned 82 years-old and resides on North Street, Agawam, with his wife of many years, **BETTY**.

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**PAT HARVEY** and daughters **LEE** and **LORI** of Tracey Drive, Agawam, would like to send **HAPPY 50th BIRTHDAY** wishes to the man in their lives, **SID HARVEY**.

His birthday was November 5th. Along with these wishes, they also send this special message, "SORRY WE DIDN'T GO OVERBOARD."

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**KELLY JEAN REILLY** was born on September 26th. She weighed 7 pounds, 9½ ounces, and measured 21 inches long. She is the second child of **MIKE & DEBBIE REILLY** of Charter Oak Drive, Feeding Hills. 2½ year-old **TARA** enjoys being mother's little helper.

Grandparents of this little miss are **Ted & DOT BESKO** of Suffield, and **JOHN & HILDA REILLY** of Westfield.

Three great-grandmothers, **ANGIE KUCHARZYK** of West Springfield, **MARY BABIARZ** of Westfield, and **MAE REILLY** of Chicopee will be on hand with a lot of love.

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**WILLIAM A. LLEWELLYN**, president of Merriam-Webster Inc., publisher of dictionaries and reference books in Springfield, Massachusetts, announced the following personnel change.

**KARA L. PUSKEY-NOBLE** was promoted to Assistant Editor from the position of Editorial Assistant. A graduate of Amherst College, she joined the company in August of 1984. Mrs. Noble and her husband, **CLIFTON, JR.**, reside in Amherst.

Kara is the daughter of **MR. & MRS. CHESTER W. PUSKEY** of Feeding Hills.

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**Sixteen candles on a birthday cake for MISSY MORIN** of Memorial Drive, Feeding Hills.

Belated birthday wishes to Missy whose big day was **October 20th**.

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A happy birthday wish to **GINNY AVIS** of Feeding Hills. A sophomore at the Agawam High School, she celebrated her birthday on Wednesday, November 6th.

Ginny is in show choir at the school and also plays softball with the Sacred Heart Athletic Association. This birthday wish comes from **MOM, MIKE, and AB-BEY**.

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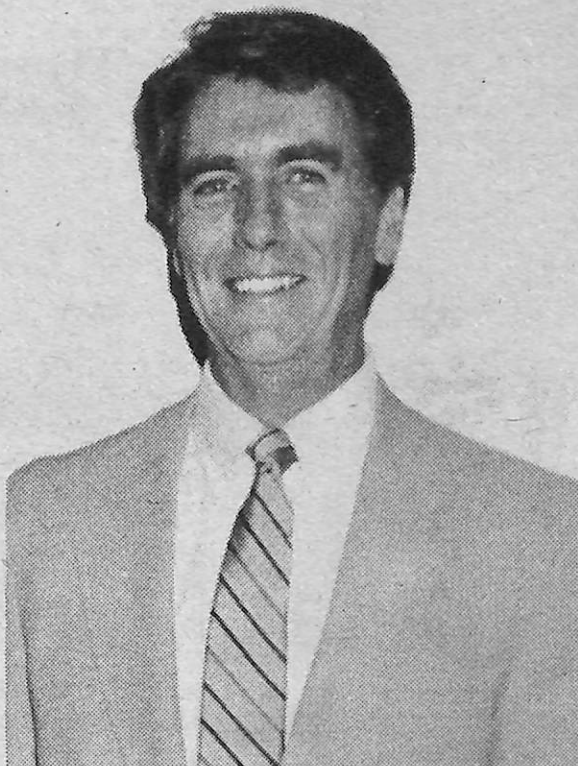
An 80th birthday surprise party was given at the Pheasant Hill Skylark Room, October 20th, in honor of **L. TETRAULT** of 58C Pheasant Hill Drive, by his five children. Seventy children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren attended the gala affair.

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Lieutenant **DONALD (SHAUN) CURRAN** has received a plaque for his 30½ years of faithful service as a fireman, from Agawam Fire Chief "Rusty" Jenks. The chief also gave special recognition to Don's partner of many years, "Mac the Fire Dog." The dog never officially retired because he was killed in the line of duty two years ago.

Family members, co-workers, and Don's many friends attended a retirement party in his honor at the V.F.W. Pavilion on South Street.

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Twenty-one year-old **JIM HOAGUE**, previously stationed at Fort Dix, New Jersey for six months, has just returned from Giessen, West Germany, where he was stationed for one year with the 3rd Armored Division at Kirchgoens. He was just promoted to E.4 Specialist.

Jim will be home for 27 days and then will be stationed at Fort Hood, Texas, for the next 11 months. He has received training in handling heavy equipment, although his specialty is being a driver and has received the Army Achievement Medal for 6,000 accident-free miles.

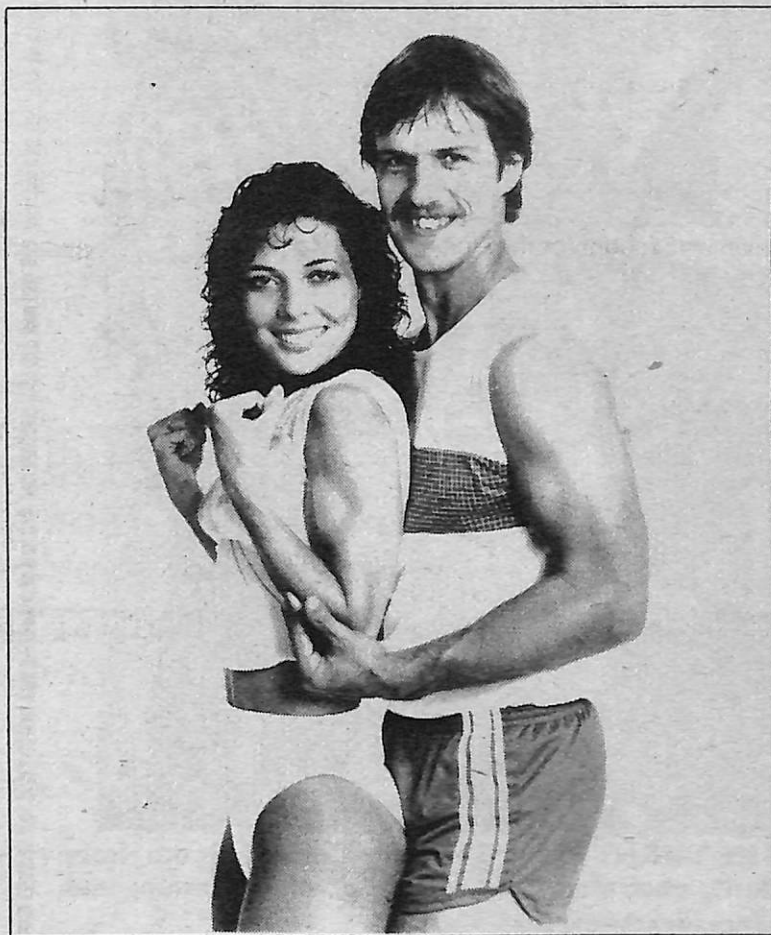
He took part in the All States Reforger '84 (war game training) in Germany. These are NATO exercises.

While in Germany, he was on a boxing team which was not an all-army team. When he gets to Texas, he will be boxing with the army team. If Jim is good enough, he could possibly make the Olympic boxing team. He graduated from Agawam High School and is the son of **JIM & GEORGIE HOAGUE** of Rhodes Avenue, Feeding Hills.

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**IF YOU WISH** to submit an item of social or family interest, please call Vi Massoia at her home, 786-5785, or write to Vi, 6 Sequoia Drive, Feeding Hills, 01030. If Vi is out, please leave a message. **More Friends & Neighbors** is a regular feature of the AAN!

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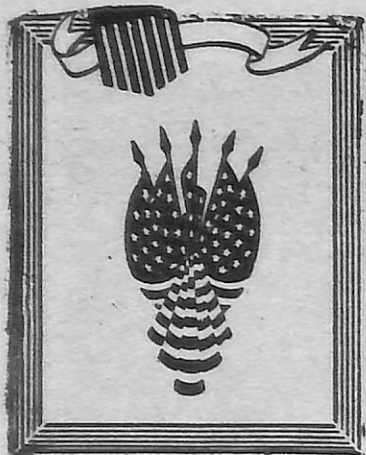
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## in old Agawam

**PUBLISHER'S NOTE:** Local historians Marilyn & Dick Curry begin a new series on the American Civil War this week. The next few articles will center on Seth Liswell, a prisoner of war from Agawam who died in the infamous Andersonville prison.

### Agawam's Seth Liswell... Prisoner Of War

As an afterthought to conclude our series of articles concerning Agawam/Feeding Hills' participation in the American Civil War, we thought it only appropriate to mention the name of Seth Liswell of Agawam.

Liswell is to be remembered by the fact that he served his country well only to die in the final year of the war as a prisoner in the infamous Confederate prison known as Andersonville!

Although little is known concerning Seth Liswell's military record, what information we do have at our disposal is sufficient to commemorate his loyalty to the Union cause. Enough information does remain to date to make us appreciate that he was one of thousands of captured Union soldiers who paid the ultimate price by having to suffer the "Pangs of Hell" within the confines of perhaps the Civil War's most terrible of prisoner-of-war camps.

Author and town historian Edith LaFrancis was quite correct in stating, "Very little information is available on the experiences of Agawam's Civil War soldiers."

Except for family documents and some few general references to several of our local soldiers, there remains but a particle of data available for a more concise report on any of the men who fought for the Union cause during the "War of the Rebellion." However, through continued research and careful scrutiny of certain general sources, one assembles many bits and pieces of information that might lead to a more specific appreciation as to the personal accounts of some individuals who managed to proclaim some deed or activity beyond the usual call of duty.

Such is the case with Seth Liswell. On the other hand, we were able to extract enough information to establish the fact that Liswell did indeed serve in the war. On the basis of material obtained from Everett's *History of the Connecticut Valley*, we were able to ascertain that Seth Liswell was a member of the Massachusetts 27th Regiment.

It is further acclaimed that Liswell was listed among the 24 men from Agawam who were killed in battle or died while in the service of their country. It was recorded that "Seth Liswell died in Andersonville, Georgia Prison in 1865."

Beyond this fragment of information, we cannot fully appreciate the length of service time that may be attributed to Liswell's military record, yet it is possible to assume that he might have joined the 27th Regiment from the outset of the war, or at least from the inception of that regiment's organization!

Without recourse to the regimental history, it is difficult to substantiate much more than what information we have to date.

#### 37th Regimental History Compliments The 27th

In the regimental history of the 37th Massachusetts Regiment, there is a brief but exemplary account of its fellow regiment-in-arms, the Massachusetts 27th. The text, authored by James L. Bowen, makes mention to the 23rd, 25th, and 27th Massachusetts regiments as being an integral member of "Stannard's Brigade of Martinsdale's Division," in his unit entitled: "Meeting the Twenty-Seventh."

Although it is not certain that Bowen refers to the 27th in particular, or to the several Massachusetts regiments aforementioned, it is to be assumed that the 27th was definitely included in this account:

"The latter was composed of friends and schoolmates of the members of the 10th and 37th, having been raised in the western counties of the state. During the following days, there was many a hearty greeting as acquaintances and relatives grasped each other by the hand. This regiment had proved itself worthy of its origin, having done faithful duty whenever called on, suffering especially at Drewry's Bluff, and severely in the action of the first day at Cold Harbor; but a still greater trial was in store for it on the following day, when it was to lose its gallant commander, Major Walker, and near half of its remaining members in the vain attempt, thrice repeated, to penetrate the enemy's lines."

This excerpt was made in reference to the Union Army's affront at the battle of Cold Harbor.

#### The Battle of Cold Harbor

Although it is pure speculation as to the exact date when Seth Liswell was captured and finally relegated to the "Tortures of Hell" at Andersonville Prison, there is some positive evidence to suppose that Liswell might have been taken prisoner following the initial days of the Cold Harbor campaign.

In this respect, we make brief mention to what has been considered one of the three most terrible battles fought during the War of Rebellion. Since Liswell died at Andersonville in 1865, it is just possible that he might have been captured during this now famous battle. Of course, this is again speculation. However, we do believe the said battle is worthy of mention con-

sidering the circumstances.

In *This Hallowed Ground*, famed author-historian Bruce Catton offers most descriptive passages concerning the battle: "As June (1864) began, the two armies (General Grant/General Lee) faced each other not far north of the Chickahominy, and once more, a casual road crossing became a place of vast importance; a sun-baked spot on the featureless plain, Cold Harbor, where a second-rate tavern sat by a dusty crossroads."

Here, Grant missed his troops and made one final attempt to break the Confederate line and pulverize Lee's army once and for all.

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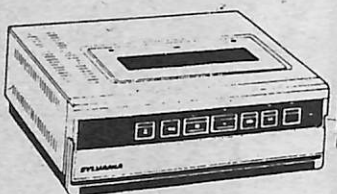
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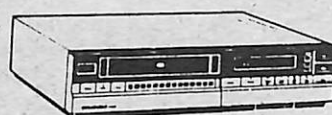
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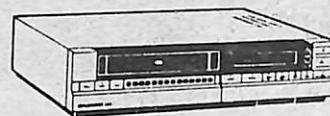
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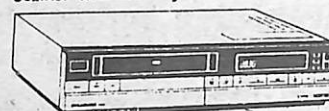
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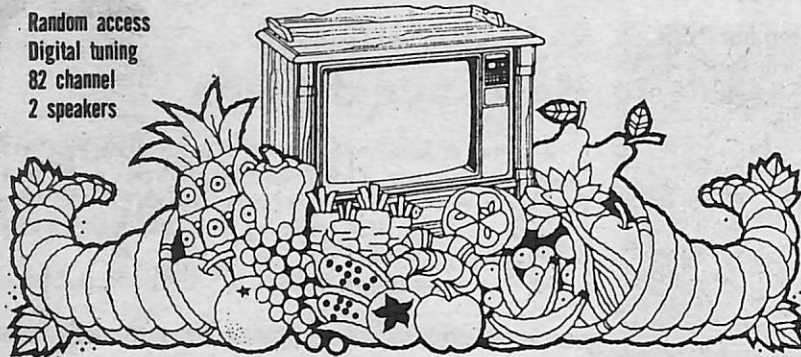


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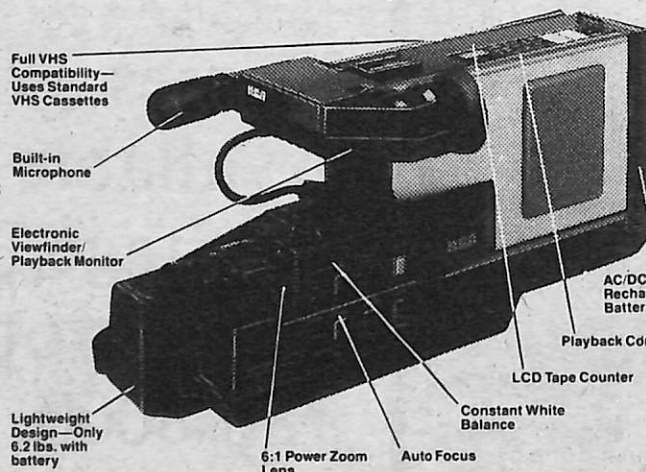
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## Another Successful Holiday Crafts Fair For Polish Club



**THE POLISH AMERICAN CLUB** held its Annual Holiday Craft Fair on Saturday, November 9th. Here, Helen Hovagimian and Sandy Kinsley proudly display these find handmade items for sale. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**ELAINE SMETHURST, BETH SETHURST, and Cookie Albro** with holiday ceramics at the Polish Club's Annual Holiday Crafts Fair on Saturday, November 9th.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



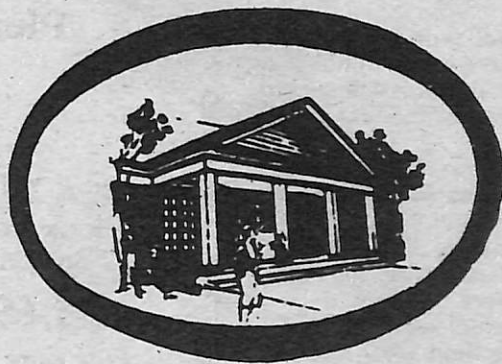
**LEE LACIENSKI** of South West Street annually sells her needlework items, many of which are perfect for the holiday season. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

### St. John's Guild Hosts Sweater Sale

St. John's Guild will host a sweater sale, to be held Tuesday evening, November 19th, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., in the meeting room of the parish center, located at the rear of the parking lot, 843 Main Street, Agawam.

All sweaters are priced at \$11 and the public is invited.

For copies of photos in this edition, please call Jack Devine at home, 789-0053



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## Patricia Miller Weds Gary Godek

St. Mary's Church, Longmeadow, was the setting for the October 5th wedding of Patricia L. Miller, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. William Miller, Parker Street, Agawam, and Gary F. Godek, son of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph F. Godek of Chicopee. Monsignor Thomas Devine, pastor, performed the 10:00 a.m. ceremony.

Honor attendants were maid of honor, Mary Miller, cousin of the bride. Robert Godek was his brother's best man. Bridesmaids were Miss Jane Theis, Mrs. Deborah Pereira-Honahan, and Miss Donna Piazza. Serving as ushers were Gerald Miller, brother of the bride, David Godek, cousin of the groom, and Dennis Wysocki.

Liturgy of the Word were read by Mrs. Anne Fielding, aunt of the bride, and Michael Zajchowski. Prayer of the Faithful was led by Miss Tracey Smith and Miss Lisa Planzo, former students of the bride.

Mrs. Godek graduated from Agawam High School and magna cum laude from Westfield State College. She is a mathematics teacher in the Somers, Connecticut School System.

Godek graduated from Chicopee High School and Worcester Polytechnic Institute. He is a project engineer with Hamilton Standard Division of United Technologies.

Following their wedding reception held at the Carriage House, Storowton Tavern, the couple left on a trip to St. Martin.

They are residing in Enfield.

## La Femmina To Present Model Of The Year Pageant

The 5th Annual La Femmina Model of the Year Preliminary Pageant will be presented on Sunday, November 17th, at Chez Josef in Agawam, at 2:00 p.m.

The pageant contestants, ages 2½ to 30 and over, will be judged on face and figure, poise, personality, and modeling potential. Competition categories involve judging based on talent, swimsuit, and evening gown, with finalists in each category receiving trophies and prizes, in addition to a crown and banner.

According to Suzanne Dahlstrom, director of La Femmina Modeling Agency located in East Longmeadow, "More than 100 students, both male and female, are expected to enter this semester's competition and vie for top honors."

"Many of the students enrolled in the school's weekly classes that include public speaking, skin and hair care, social etiquette, fashion, and professional modeling techniques, are first-time pageant contestants," said Miss Dahlstrom.

"Others like Leslie Bercume, a professional model and the 1985 pageant winner in the adult category, enter the competition to sharpen their skills to further their modeling career."

The pageant, a fast-paced music/fashion event, is open to the public. Tickets are \$6 each and are available at the school. Refreshments will be served during intermission.

For more information, call La Femmina, 525-1656.

## Agawam UNICO To Honor Deceased Members

Agawam Unico, of Unico National, will have its third Annual Memorial Mass for departed members, Friday, November 29th, at 7:00 p.m., at St. Anthony's Church, corner of Maple and Bridge Streets, North Agawam.

Reverend Camillo Santini, pastor, Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills, and new Unico chaplain, will be the celebrant.

The deceased members who the Lord has called for their reward are Paul D'Amato, Nicholas Depalo, Nicholas Zucco, Dominic Maiola, Nicholas Chechile, Anthony Buoniconti, Albert Bongiovanni, Anthony DiDonato, Alphonse Alfano, John Beltrandi, Louis DePalma, James Mercadante, James Spagnolo, Anthony Natale, Lee Zanoliti, Anthony Zerra, and Francis Rosso.

These dedicated members labored for the Unico cause and may their memory be with us always.

The 17 departed Unico members will be honored in a special ceremony with 17 vigil candles on the altar.

As the name of each Unico departed member is called, a family member, relative, or friend will step forward to the altar to light a candle, as a chime tolls in the background.

Members' wives are especially invited to attend this beautiful memorial ceremony in honoring departed members.

### LEGAL NOTICE

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#### TOWN OF AGAWAM Board Of Appeals

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeals will give a hearing at Administration Annex Building, Agawam, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1985 at 8:00 P.M. o'clock, to all parties, interested in the appeal of KATHRYN & ANTHONY AYRE who are seeking relief from Section 20, Paragraph 43 (e) of the Zoning Ordinances to allow the creation of two (2) one bedroom units on the second floor in a structure which does not meet the setback and side lot requirements and is identified as 644-646 MAIN STREET.

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## Governor Dukakis Visits Rep. Walsh's "Nonnie"



GOVERNOR MICHAEL DUKAKIS paid a birthday visit to the grandmother ("nonnie") of State Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam), Pauline Granfield of High Street, North Agawam, on the occasion of her 85th birthday. Governor Dukakis appeared at her home Monday evening before attending an affair at Chez Josef. Family members pictured with the Governor are, Tina Walsh, Jim Bannish, Caroline Viens, Judge William T. Walsh, Dukakis, Danny Viens, Rep. Walsh, Nancy Walsh Bannish, Rosalie Walsh, and Bill Walsh. Seated - Mrs. Granfield and Diane Walsh. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



GOVERNOR MICHAEL DUKAKIS wishes Pauline Granfield a happy 85th birthday upon entering her High Street home on Monday, November 11th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PAULINE GRANFIELD is quite proud of her grandson, State Representative Michael P. Walsh (right). Mike brought Governor Michael Dukakis to Mrs. Granfield's High Street home to wish his "Nonnie" a happy 85th birthday. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

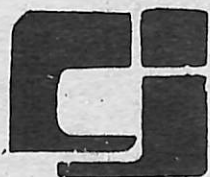
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Tuesday, November 19th  
Parents Night  
Agawam High School  
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Wednesday, November 20th  
Parents Night  
James Clark Elementary School  
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, November 23rd  
Jingle Valley Fair  
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Saturday, November 23rd  
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Feeding Hills Congo Church  
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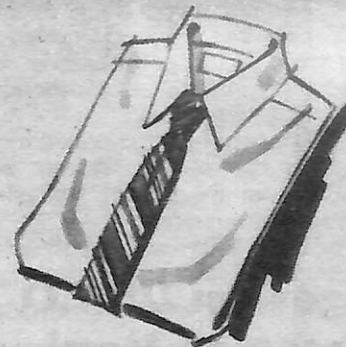


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## Agawam Obituaries

### Catherine R. Woods

Agawam: Catherine R. (Lynch) Woods, 64, of Springfield, formerly of 19 Withered Street, Agawam, died Sunday, November 10th, in a local nursing home. Born in Springfield, she had lived in Agawam most of her life. She leaves her husband, William A. Woods; three daughters, Katherine Glaessner and Marthy Morzyko, both of Springfield, and Nancy Hart of West Granville; two sisters, Mary Kelly of Agawam and Margaret Zarlengo of West Springfield; and four grandchildren. The funeral and private burial was conducted at the convenience of the family. Hafey Forest Park Chapels was in charge. Donations may be made to the American Parkinson's Disease Society, 116 John Street, New York, 10038.

### Alice A. Letendre

Agawam: Alice A. (Letendre) Letendre, 85, of 187 Colemore Street, formerly of Oxford Place, West Springfield, died Thursday in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield Unit. Born in Holyoke, she had lived in West Springfield 27 years before moving to Agawam six months ago. She was a communicant of St. Thomas the Apostle Church, West Springfield. Her husband, Adelard Letendre, died in 1976. She leaves a son, Robert A. of Wellfleet; five daughters, Cecele Jones and Theresa Serra, both of Springfield; Rita Conte of Agawam, Irene Mazza and Audrey Guertin, both of Feeding Hills; two sisters, Irene Lesperance of South Hadley and Doris Keating of Chicopee; 15 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren. The funeral was Saturday morning at the Curran-Jones Funeral Home, Agawam, and in the church with burial in St. Thomas Cemetery, West Springfield.

### John Donaldson

Agawam: John Donaldson, 74, of 65 North Westfield Street, in the Feeding Hills section, a retired 40-year transport truck driver for area companies, died Monday in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield. He retired in 1974. A native of Waterbury, Connecticut, he had lived in Springfield many years, moving to Feeding Hills in 1984. He leaves his widow, Katherine (Warga) Donaldson; three sons, John J. of Cumberland, Maryland, Robert D. of Catskill, New York, and Peter J. of Clarence Center, New York; and a daughter, Barbara Ellington of Grand Island, New York. The funeral was held Thursday afternoon in Bethany Assembly of

God Church with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery at the convenience of the family. Curran-Jones Funeral Home was in charge. Memorial contributions may be made to the church.

### Emilio Alfano

Agawam: Emilio "Bac" Alfano, 35, of 333 School Street, died after a small aluminum boat he was fishing from capsized on the Thames River, near the Pequot Bridge in Norwich, Connecticut, on Saturday.

His body was found Sunday in about 15 feet of water around 6:30 p.m.

Alfano was a quality control supervisor for the Finast Warehouse in Windsor Locks and from 1971 to 1974, he owned the Pet Village Store in Hadley.

He was born in Springfield and moved to Agawam five years ago.

He was a 1968 graduate of Springfield Technical High School and had played on city, Western Massachusetts and state soccer teams.

He graduated from Holyoke Community College in 1970 and had also attended American International College.

He was a communicant of St. John the Evangelist Church and a member of the City Line Sports Club. He also coached youth soccer for the Agawam Athletic Association.

He leaves his wife, the former Vicki-Geo Denton; two daughters, Cindi P. Alfano and Elise A. Alfano, both at home; his mother, Filomena (Santaniello) Alfano of Agawam; a brother, Peter of Springfield; a sister, Philomena O'Connor of Agawam and his grandmother, Rosa (Grimaldi) Santaniello of Agawam.

The funeral was Wednesday morning at the Colonial Funeral Home, Main Street, and in the church, both in Agawam, with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery, Springfield. Donations may be made to the trust fund of the Alfano children, 333 School Street, Agawam, MA 01001.

### Dominick Crupi

Agawam: Dominick Crupi, 82, of 18 Kanawha Avenue, died recently in Baystate Medical Center. He was born in Siderno Marina, Reggio, Calabria, Italy and had lived in Agawam since coming to this country in 1921. He was employed at the former Chicopee Falls plant of the Uniroyal Company, and retired in 1965. He had been a part-time employee for The Rollaway Inc. skating rink in Agawam. He was a communicant of St.

John the Evangelist Church. He was a member of the Midtown Lane Bowling League. He was married to Lucy (Maiolo) Crupi, who died May 8th. He leaves his daughter, Theresa A. Crupi of Agawam; two brothers,

Francesco of Thunder Bay, Canada, and Carmelo "Tony" of Springfield; five sisters, Mary Commisso, Natalena Minnella and Rosa Leonardo, all in Italy, and Theresa Minnella and Antonia Crupi, both of Thunder Bay. The funeral was held Saturday morning at Colonial Funeral Home with services in St. John the Evangelist Church. Burial was in St. Michael's Cemetery.

### Mary J. Serra

Agawam: Mary J. Serra, 86, of 31 Oak Hill Avenue, died Sunday, November 10th, in Mercy Hospital. Born in Springfield, she was a lifelong Agawam resident and a communicant of St. Anthony of Padua Church, North Agawam. Her husband, Ernest Serra, died in 1983. She leaves a son, Ernest A. of Feeding Hills; a

daughter, Eleanor Artioli of Springfield; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. The funeral was Wednesday morning at the Curran Jones Funeral Home in Agawam and in the church, with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery, Springfield.

### Julie Gibson

Agawam: Julie L. Gibson, 23, of 16 Debra Lane, a nurse's aide at Heritage Hall Nursing Home, died Monday, November 4th.

Her body was found in a car on a road off of Route 57 leading to the Agawam Pistol Range in Southwick, according to Southwick police.

Born in Springfield, she attended local schools and was a student at St. John's School of Business, West Springfield.

She leaves a daughter, Jodi L.; her father, David B. Gibson of Lee, Florida; her mother and stepfather, Janet (Liddy) and David M. Fuller of Agawam; two brothers, David B., stationed with the Air Force in Savannah, Georgia; and Paul of Agawam; and her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Liddy of East Longmeadow and Ruth Gibson of Hayesville, North Carolina.

The funeral was held Friday morning at Curran-Jones Funeral Home with burial in Baptist Village Cemetery, East Longmeadow.

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If the family of the deceased wish a photo printed with our obituary page, please call us at 786-7747/786-8137. There is no charge.

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## Baptist Church Supper



**MAURINE GOODWIN & ROSE McCOBB** serve mashed potatoes at a supper sponsored by the Feeding Hills Baptist Church last week.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Marie Elizabeth Daglio Engaged To Alfredo Dimauro

Mr. & Mrs. Richard L. Daglio of West Springfield are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Marie Elizabeth, to Mr. Alfredo Dimauro, Jr., of Ottawa Street, Agawam.

Mr. & Mrs. Alfredo Dimauro of Longmeadow are the parents of the prospective bridegroom. Mrs. Lizzie Daglio of Ottawa Street, Agawam, is grandmother of the bride-elect.

Miss Daglio graduated from St. Mary's High School, Westfield, and received a bachelor's degree cum laude in accounting from Providence College.

She is employed as an accountant with the firm of Arthur Young in Hartford.

Mr. Dimauro is a graduate of Cathedral High School and received a baccalaureate degree cum laude from Roger Williams College in Bristol, Rhode Island.

He is presently pursuing a master's degree in health care administration at Western New England College. Mr. Dimauro is an assistant administrator for Ring Nursing Homes in Springfield.

A July wedding is planned.



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## Lung Association Says Be Careful When Burning Wood

Burning wood is a popular alternative energy source, but it can be hazardous to your health and safety. The hazards, however, can be greatly reduced through careful installation and operation of the stoves.

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The American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts urges people to update their knowledge of proper stove installation and maintenance, since many potential cancer causing substances and other pollutants are released when wood is burned.

The Lung Association is offering a free brochure full of tips for reducing air pollutants from home wood stoves. Some topics included are stove size, stove design, proper fuel, how to start the fire, monitoring the stove, cleaning, weatherizing, and much more.

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# Spotlight On Business

## Masnicki-Smith Feted By National Aerospace At Testimonial Dinner

A testimonial was held to honor Ronald Masnicki and Donald Smith, Jr., former owners of National Aerospace, Inc., on Saturday, November 2nd, at Chez Josef.

The testimonial was given by the employees of National Aerospace as a way of saying thanks to Masnicki and Smith for the close cooperation and fairness in dealing with employees when they previously owned the company.

Masnicki and Smith are former owners of the firm. They sold the business last year. Smith retired from the new National Aerospace Corporation in March 1984 and Masnicki will retire next month.

William E. Hollis, executive vice-president of National Aerospace Corporation, and one of the present owners, served as master of ceremonies for the affair.

Hollis said, "It is rare in this country to see such a display of appreciation by employees for the owners of a company. It's a real tribute to Ron and Don. It also says something about the character of the men and women who worked for National Aerospace over the years."

Two long-time employees of National Aerospace, William Hanley and Louis Mandish, speaking for the employees, praised their former bosses about the improved working conditions and employee benefits in the six years Masnicki and Smith owned the company.

Masnicki resides in Palmer with his wife, Virginia A. (Tenczar) Masnicki. They have three children - Todd, Tanya, and Valeria.

Born in Hartford, Masnicki, 47, attended American International College in Springfield, receiving a bachelor's degree in business administration.

His long list of regional and national credits include being a delegate to the 1980 White House Conference on Small Business; member of Governor Edward J. King's 1981 Massachusetts Small Business Task Force; member of Senator Edward Kennedy's Small Business Task Force; board member of the Private Industry Council of Hampden County; and co-chairman of Western Massachusetts Chapter, Small Business Association of New England.

In his home community of Palmer, Masnicki served on the Industrial Development Financing Authority; past chairman of the town's Charter Commission; served as a member of the Finance Committee, Library Association, and the Wing Memorial Hospital Association.

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Smith, 50, resides on 57 Thalia Drive, Feeding Hills, with his wife, Lita. They have three children - Donald Lita, and Thomas.

A graduate of American International College, with



**WILLIAM E. HOLLIS**, executive vice-president of National Aerospace (left) pictured with **Robbie Sullivan**, chairwoman of the testimonial for Ron Masnicki (right) and **Donald Smith** (next to Hollis), former owners of National Aerospace. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

a bachelor's degree in business administration, Smith is a veteran of the U.S. Army, being stationed in Fort Benning, Georgia.

Before buying into National Aerospace, Inc., Smith was chief accountant for Diamond International of Springfield, and was office manager of Ward Bacon, also of Springfield prior to this.

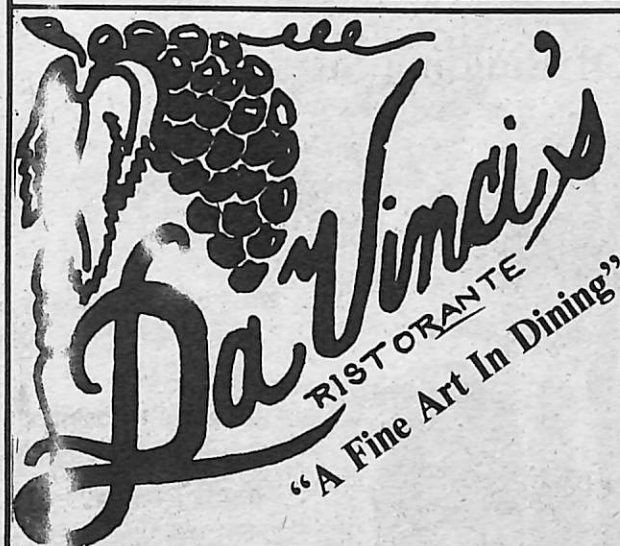
He served as a director of the former SPAN Center of Agawam, now called the Agawam Youth and Counseling Center. This agency deals with mental health, including delivering counseling on alcohol and drug problems.



**RON & VIRGINIA MASNICKI** received much acclaim from National Aerospace employees at a testimonial dinner to honor Ron's retirement. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**DONALD & LITA SMITH** of Feeding Hills were also feted by National Aerospace employees November 2nd. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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CLAUDIA P. BROWN

### Claudia P. Brown Promoted By BayBank Valley

The Board of Directors of BayBank Valley elected Claudia P. Brown to assistant vice president, it was announced by Richard A. Stebbins, President.

Mrs. Brown works with small businesses in the Agawam and West Springfield areas to assist in financing and other appropriate banking needs.

She formerly worked at BayBank Harvard Trust (Cambridge) where she was a loan review officer and credit analyst.

She is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts (Amherst) and attended the University of Rhode Island. Mrs. Brown resides in Belchertown.



SUSAN M. VANDAL

### Susan M. Vandal Promoted By BayBank Valley

The Board of Directors of BayBank Valley promoted Susan M. Vandal to assistant vice president, it was announced by Richard M. Stebbins, president.

Miss Vandal currently attends Western New England College. She manages several of the bank's internal operating functions and coordinates operating issues within the bank system.

She is also responsible for the servicing of bank customers by mail and phone.

She is a resident of Feeding Hills.



CATHERINE MEREDITH

### Catherine Meredith Named By Milton Bradley

Catherine C. Meredith of Agawam has been promoted to a product manager position at Milton Bradley Company, according to a recent announcement made by Larry Bernstein, senior vice president of marketing.

Mrs. Meredith joined Milton Bradley in 1974 and was named associate product manager in January 1985.

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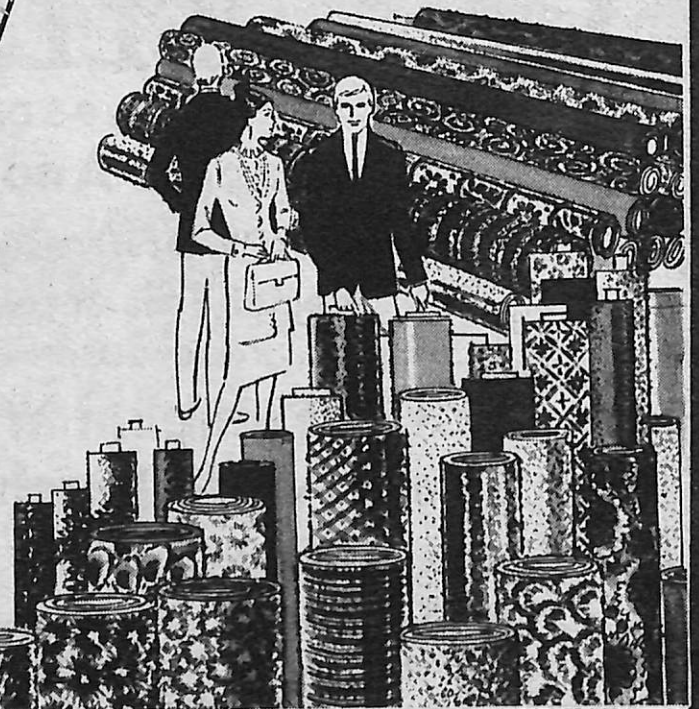
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## News From The Agawam Senior Center

### Agawam Merchants — Please Note

Agawam Council on Aging is in the process of updating its list of local businesses that offer discounts to senior citizens. If you wish to be included on the Council on Aging list, which is given to everyone who joins the Senior Center, please contact Richard Mundo, executive director, 786-0400, extension 242. Information is needed as to amount of the discount offered to seniors and whether it is offered only on certain days.

### Senior Center Bazaar

"All Systems Are Go" for the bazaar on Saturday, November 16th, at the Senior Center, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Sandra Smith and Rose Mezzetti, co-chairwomen with the Activities Committee members and a group of volunteers, have been busy with the preparations.

Baked goods are needed and should be brought on Saturday morning as soon after 9:00 a.m. as possible. "Good-As-New" clothing, as well as other articles for the bazaar, can be brought anytime on Friday, November 15th.

### 12:30 Program

**Thursday, November 21st**, at 12:30 p.m. A tour of Hawaii with Collette Tours. This will be a small sample of what is to be included in the October 1986 Hawaiian Trip. Reservations are being taken at the ticket booth. A deposit of \$100 per person is requested.

### Keep Informed

Be sure to check the center's bulletin board when you come to the Senior Center. Also, from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. each day, a volunteer is at the ticket booth to take reservations and answer questions — or just to say a friendly "Hi."

**December 1st - Sunday - Christmas Party.** Social hour from 11:00 a.m. to noon. A roast sirloin of beef, sit-down dinner will be served at 12:00 noon. There will be live entertainment and Santa will be on hand. Each one is expected to bring a \$2.50 general gift for the grab bag. Tickets now on sale for \$9 per person.

**December 19th - Thursday - Food Distribution** at the Senior Center for those with yellow cards; at Sacred Heart Church for those holding a white card.

**January 9th, 1986 - Coachlight Dinner Theatre Matinee**, to enjoy *Chicago*, a great musical vaudeville show with a 1920 setting.



**LEARNING TO PLAY BRIDGE** at the Agawam Senior Center are, from left - Rita Robertson, Ada Berselli, Mary O'Connor, Lena Bontempo, and Sophia Fitzgerald. Standing is instructor Terry Sedgwick of the Springfield Bridge Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Bus pick-up at Country View at 10:30 a.m., and at the Senior Center at 11:00 a.m. Tickets, including show and meal, are \$19 per person, and are available now at the ticket booth. Payment must accompany your reservation.

**The Creative Writing I** course, taught at the center on Monday evenings this fall, has just been completed. Regrettably, the class was small. Instructors Kara Puskey-Nobel and Pearl Puskey are excellent and have a fine way of communicating with their student seniors. The course has provided class members with the push needed to get their autobiographies on paper for their children and grandchildren.

If you are interested in such a project in 1986, call the center at 786-0400, extension 242, and put your name on the list to be

"It is flattering some men to endure them." Lord Halifax

notified for a Creative Writing course.

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**A Reminder - Senior Center Parking.** When visiting the center, please do observe the "tenant parking" signs. There is a temptation to slip into any vacant space, especially on Golden Age meeting days. Car-pooling when possible may be helpful. Your cooperation will certainly be appreciated.

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**SENIOR CENTER - From Page 18...**

**The Olympic Sites at Lake Placid.** Folks on the recent Lake George trip had a guided tour of several Olympic sites. The guide was most knowledgeable, giving much inside information about the planning and preparations for the Olympics which never made the news wires. Lake Placid became a household word as the home of the iceskating and bobsled Olympics in 1932.

The largest building houses the several skating rinks. The walls are lined with pictures of skating champions over the years, and several bronze plaques honor 1932 and 1980 Olympic medal winners. One special plaque honors the U.S. Skating Team who perished in a plane crash in Belgium in 1961.

The 1932 arena is still used; it seats 1,500 people. The 1980 arena, built with an unobstructed view from every seat, holds 8,500 and can be converted into a concert hall. For the United States-Russia Medal Hockey Game in 1980, the arena had 11,000 people inside with hundreds more outside. According to our guide, "the rafters echoed for weeks with the cheers of the crowds." A practice rink is used year-round by students who come from all over the East to work with famed coaches at \$30 for one-half hour.

The 90 and 70 meter ski jumps, constructed for the 1980 games, rise from the ground, from a distance looking strangely out of place. In the summer, they are covered with plastic and used for training. The towers are high but the guide pointed out that a jumper is actually never more than 12 to 15 feet above ground, although he may be making a jump 200 to 300 feet long.

The splending 1980 speed-skating rink has an interesting history. The land to build it (on a hill) already had the high school on it there, forcing the school to be moved. The arrangements gave the town a fine new high school nearby, plus an excellent eight-lane running track on the outskirts of the village.

Unfortunately, the high school has no track team. The dirt that had to be removed was used in constructing the ski jumps.

Some Olympic ceremonies were held on Mirror Lake, which is in the village of Lake Placid. There is hope that Lake Placid may again host the Winter Olympics in 1992.

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**The Bridge Class** started on November 8th. It will skip Friday, November 15th, and will meet each Friday from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., through December 20th. The next class will be at 1:00 p.m., Friday, November 22nd. This is a six-week preliminary bridge course for beginners.

### **Christian Science Congreg. Planning Thanksgiving Service**

The local Christian Science congregation is planning a special Thanksgiving service for the community. Neighbors, friends, and anyone wishing to join with them can give thanks to God on Thursday, November 28th.

The sermon on "Thanksgiving" will focus on actively expressing gratitude to God by following Christ Jesus in daily life. The Master's injunction sounds the keynote: "Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out devils: freely ye have received, freely give."

The service will also include hymns of praise, brief silent prayer, and the Lord's Prayer.

Of particular interest to visitors is the portion of the service set aside for spontaneous expressions of gratitude. It's not unusual for Christian Scientists to briefly relate instances of spiritual healing among their blessings.

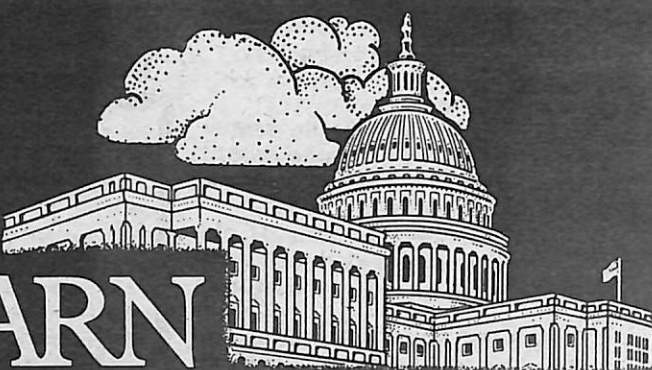
Since Christian Science churches are lay churches, "sermons" are not written by ministers but are composed of selections from the Bible, along with correlative passages from the Christian Science textbook, *Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures*, written by church founder Mary Baker Eddy.

For example, at the Thanksgiving service this week, this passage from Mrs. Eddy's book has been chosen to complement the Bible verses: "To keep the commandments of our Master (Christ Jesus) and follow his example, is our proper debt to him and the only worthy evidence of our gratitude for all that he has done."

SEE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE - Page 20...



**ERNEST C. SWANSON** of the Agawam Golden Agers Club, Chapter 2 (left) welcomes guest speakers **Edward Grimes**, club vice-president, who spoke on home gardening and raising vegetable and flower plants from seed; and **Bertram Goodwin**, who spoke on his hobby of building sailing ships and horse-drawn coach models. Both offered displays of their special and creative talents. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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## Edith Caldenwood Celebrates 100th Birthday At Heritage Hall



**EDITH CALDENWOOD** with her birthday cake to celebrate her 100th year. An affair was held in her honor at Heritage Hall last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

**SETH LISWELL** - From Page 9...

Catton again exemplifies the tragic battle scene: "Never had armies fought like this. For a solid month they had not been out of contact. Every day, somewhere along the lines, there had been action."

The rival armies stayed in the trenches around Cold Harbor for the better part of two weeks, and they were not weeks that any soldier afterward recalled with pleasure.

In *Campfire and Battlefield* (1894-1896), author Rossiter Johnson, L.I.D., wrote the following sketch of the battle: "The lines of the two armies were so close to each other that it was impossible to care for the wounded that lay between them, except by a cessation of hostilities. As the National forces had been the assailants, most of the wounded were theirs."

"The Adjutant-General's report presents an accurate account of Union men who were killed for wounded during the first 12 days of fighting; 10,088 soldiers, including a number of valuable officers."

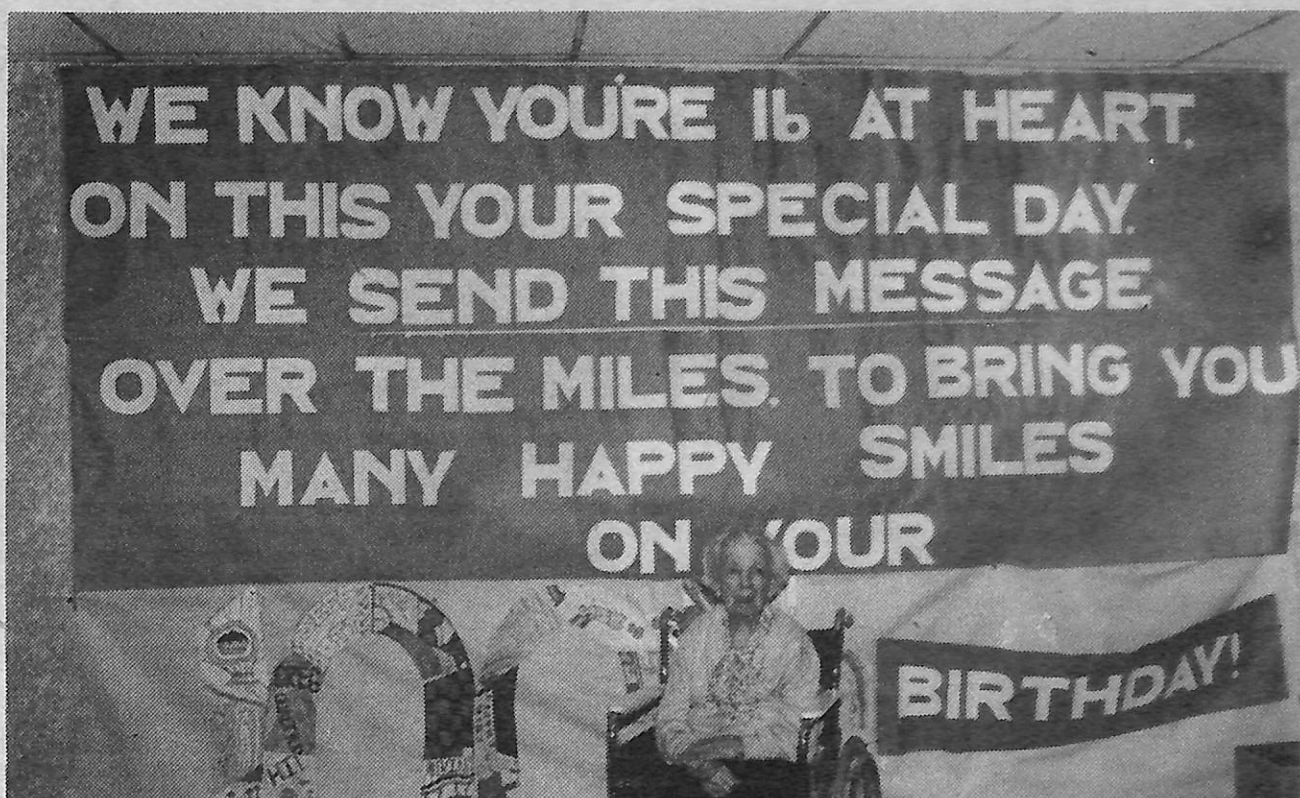
Truly, this battle must go down in our history as a costly blunder!

Under the aforementioned statistics, it is not difficult to presume that Seth Liswell might easily have been among the captured Union soldiers who were eventually to find themselves imprisoned at Andersonville.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE** - From Page 19...

"Outward worship is not of itself sufficient to express loyal and heartfelt gratitude, since he has said, 'If ye love me, keep my commandments.'"

Scheduled to begin at 10:30 a.m., the hour-long service will be held at 916 Williams Street, Longmeadow. Care for infants and toddlers will be provided by local church members. Sunday School-age children are invited to attend the service.



**EDITH CALDENWOOD** celebrated her 100th birthday surrounded by family and friends at Heritage Hall Nursing Home last week. Edith was born in Thompsonville, Connecticut, in 1885. Married to the late Herbert Caldenwood, she had two children, Herbert Caldenwood of Pittsfield and Mrs. Faxon Chapin of Florida. The poster in the background was made by Mrs. Caldenwood's great grandson, Eric Chapin, and members of his sixth grade class in Denver, Colorado. It was sent by mail in pieces and reconstructed when it reached Heritage Hall. A very fine time was had by all who attended. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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# Arts

## Who Needs A Waltz Unsatisfying Show By Agawam Repertory

by Phil Benoit  
Advertiser News Entertainment Editor

*Who Needs a Waltz*, the latest production by the Agawam Repertory Theatre (ART), has two problems which render it an unsatisfying show. One, a lackluster performance is delivered by one of the leading cast members.

And two, the play itself is a second-rate story that is not very interesting.

The two-act, Fred Carmichel comedy, which ran last Friday and Saturday, has four more performances scheduled for the next two Fridays (November 15th and 22nd) and Saturdays (November 16th and 23rd). All shows begin at 8:00 p.m., in the Winthrop Room at the Parwick Centre, 450 Memorial Drive, Chicopee (across from the Fairfield Mall).

*Who Needs a Waltz* is set in present-day Jamaica and takes place in a cottage that often serves as the honeymoon haven for young newlyweds. But, the people who are currently occupying this Jamaican abode are middle-aged secret agents who are posing as a just-married couple while on an assignment to catch a smuggler involved in the theft of a priceless painting.

Ironically, this bit of impersonation on the part of the agents echoes a situation that occurred early in their careers. Twenty years ago, the woman, Reggie (Janis LaPointe), and the man, Alan (Arnold Woods), were engaged to be married.

Unfortunately, a serious misunderstanding on their wedding day ended their plans, and both of them went their separate ways and eventually left the world of espionage. Reggie became a suburban housewife and mother, and Alan has since had an unprofitable career as a tour guide at a ski lodge in Switzerland.

Now, 20 years later, the two of them have returned to the spy biz in order to add some excitement to their lives. Reggie, however, didn't know that she was going to have to work with Alan again, and their reunion doesn't exactly please her.

Alan, meanwhile, is happy to see her once again and sees their masquerade as newlyweds as a chance to rekindle the feelings they had for each other long ago.

### A Boring Romantic Comedy

Although it manages to be somewhat amusing, Fred Carmichel's *Who Needs a Waltz* is, on the whole, a boring romantic comedy. Most of its action has Reggie and Alan arguing with each other and reminiscing about the good old days when they were young, in love, and led suspense-filled lives as secret agents.

This subject matter does not necessarily make for a bad play, but Carmichael's uninspired dialogue turns the plot into the kind of soapy sludge that you can find on the worst episodes of the television series *The Love Boat*.



**JANIS LAPOINTE, CHARLOTTE WEST, & ARNOLD WOODS in a scene from the Agawam Repertory Theatre's (ART) production of *Who Needs A Waltz*, now being staged in the Winthrop Room at Parwick Centre, Chicopee.**

Furthermore, the characters of Reggie and Alan never come across as realistic secret agents. In the first act, for example, their boss, Frank Trask (played by ART's president Dany Texeira), is with them at the Jamaican cottage and gets himself a drink from the well-stocked bar. However, the liquor at the cottage has been tampered with, and Frank passes out.

In order to draw no suspicious glances from anyone nearby, Reggie and Alan prop Frank up into a standing position within a closet so that he can sleep off his drugged drink. This gimmick of placing an unconscious body within a closet can sometimes be effective and funny in a comedy, but it seems like a stupid thing for competent secret agents to do within the context of this play.

But, the worst thing about *Who Needs a Waltz* is that it never gives the audience a chance to figure out the identity of the smuggler whom Reggie and Alan are trying to apprehend. The story doesn't provide us with any clues that we can pick up on, and the solution to the smuggler's identity comes out of the blue when all of the play's characters (seven in all) are together near the end of the second and final act.

### Flaws Inherent To The Script

All of the aforementioned flaws are inherent to the script of *Who Needs a Waltz* and, thus, cannot be blamed on the members of ART who worked on this particular production. However, there is one problem with this show which the playwright can't be held accountable for.

In the role of Reggie, Janis LaPointe makes an acting

debut which is far from spectacular. She gives a deadpan performance that fails to make her character lively or interesting to watch.

Throughout the course of the story, Reggie alternates between being angry at Alan and being delighted by his charm and wit. But, with her rather monotone voice and a vacant facial expression, Miss LaPointe is unable to convey these emotional shifts which her character undergoes.

Fortunately, director Alyce Cunningham manages to get more vibrant and memorable performances from the rest of the cast. As Alan, Arnold Woods projects a suave yet comical persona which overcomes some of his character's poorly written dialogue.

In minor roles, credible acting is done by Dany Texeira as Frank Trask; Brent Northup as a young man named Bartholomew Bennett; and Mara Dresner and newcomer Rosalind Nagle as "Girl" and "Another Girl", respectively (their true identities are revealed only during the latter part of Act Two).

But, best of all is Charlotte West's endearing performance as Mrs. Somers, the maid at the cottage where Reggie and Alan carry out their make-believe honeymoon.

With a convincing British accent, Miss West provides much good-natured humor as a kind yet nosey woman who behaves like a den mother towards any newlyweds who rent the cottage.

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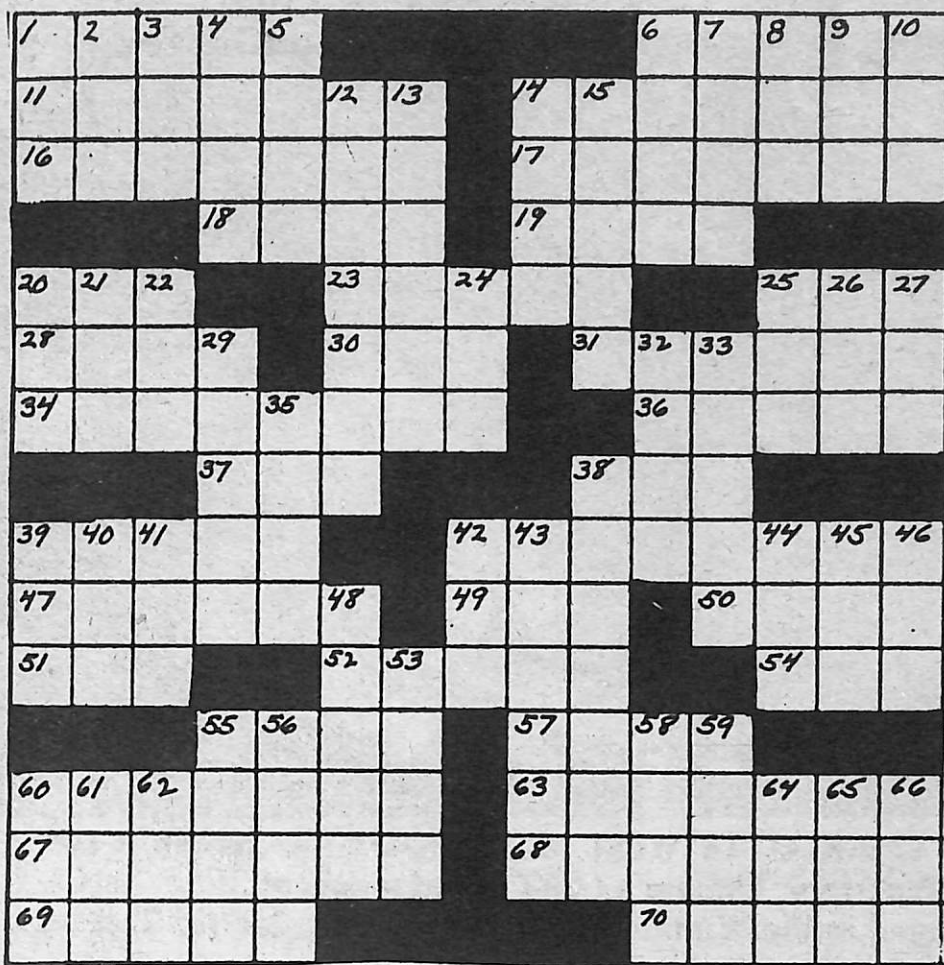
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14. Travel group
16. Draw into a web
17. One way to serve pie
18. Dash
19. Gambol
20. Crying sound
23. Heckle
25. Forefoot
28. Region
30. He's a wise one
31. Feral
34. Parley
36. "Green -"
37. Seen at the door
38. Tippler
39. Soap substitute
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49. Sandra or Ruby
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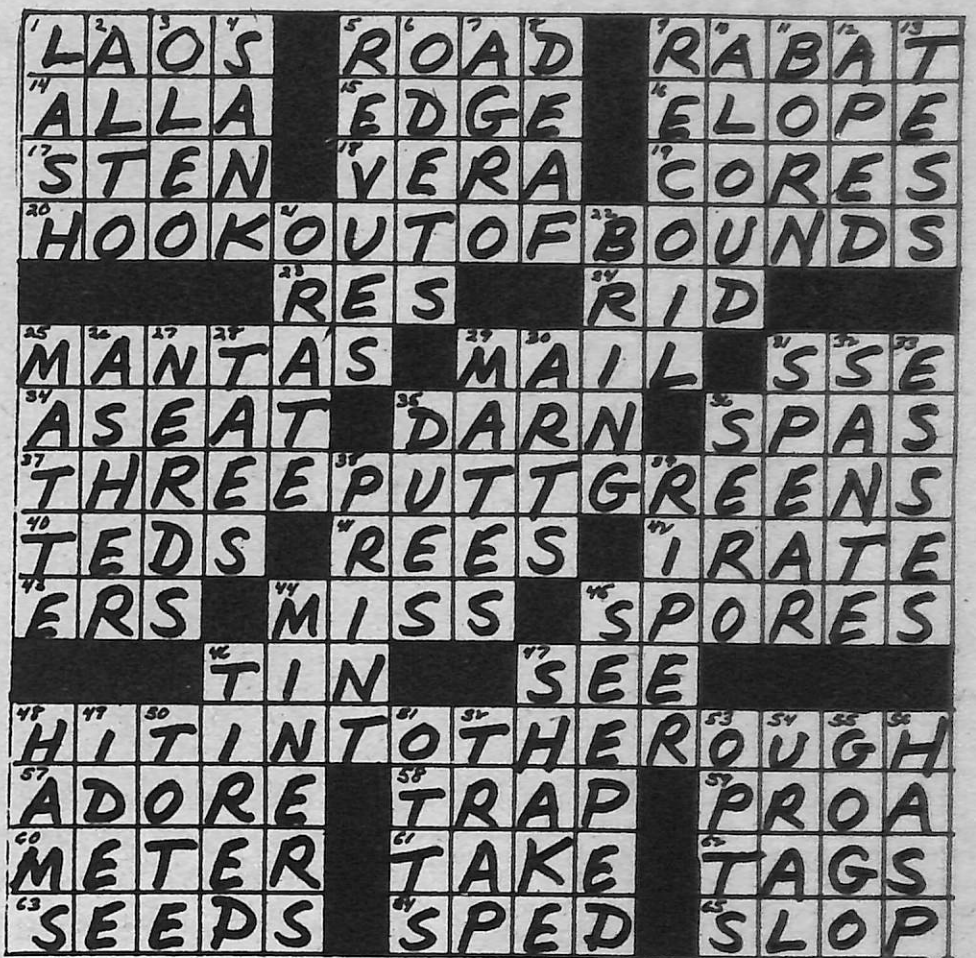
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8. Ancient coin
9. Mom's mate
10. See 1 D
12. Speech makers
13. Replenishes
14. Freeway vehicles
15. Medicinal plant
20. Pouch
21. Pizzaro's quest
22. Mr. Franklin
24. Cafe potable
25. Between birdie and

- bogie
26. Grow old
27. "Mad as a - hen"
29. Vilify
32. "Take -"
33. Puts the kibosh on
35. Adam's garden
38. Guided
39. Summer drink
40. Sea (Fr.)
41. WWII agency
42. Stir
43. Stop working
44. Antique auto
45. Male nickname
46. Saratoga for one
48. Strikes out, in printing
53. Shopper's delight
55. French papa
56. Spanish cheers
58. Touch
59. Maine river
60. Kin to an ump
61. "Little -"
62. Animal doc
64. Half sole
65. French season
66. The - German

## Last Week's Solution



## St. Theresa's Church Plans Christmas Bazaar

A Christmas Bazaar will be held Friday, November 15th, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., and Saturday, November 16th, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., by St. Theresa's Church, 74 Bridge Street, Agawam.

There will be a large selection of items for sale, including homemade baked beans and other homemade goods, homemade fudge and candy novelties; hand-made knitted and crocheted articles; plants for sale; flea market items; second hand booth; new and used toys; Christmas booth with many usual decorations; Chinese raffle; and a special raffle booth.

The public is invited.

## Southwick Church Has Large Christmas Bazaar Nov. 16th

Southwick: Exhibitors and craftspeople are invited to participate in the best and largest to date, Rosary Altar Society Christmas Bazaar. Several area artisans and crafters have already rented tables at a mere \$15, and this promises to be one of the finest exhibits in the area. There will be something for everyone's Christmas list.

The bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 16th, from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., at Our Lady of the Lake Church Hall on Sheep Pasture Road in Southwick.

## Suffield AFS Sponsors Fundraiser

Suffield: Exhibit your own unique gingerbread house at the Suffield Chapter of AFS first Annual Gingerbread House Festival.

It's Saturday, December 7th, at the Suffield Masonic Hall, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Entries will be awarded prizes based on the judges decisions in five categories - individual, under ten-years-of-age, parent and child, group, and professional.

There will be a small entry fee for each entry. For information on how to enter a gingerbread house, please call 668-1520 or 668-2875.

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## Science Museum Shop Presents Holiday Festival

The Science Museum Gift Shop is hosting a "Holiday Festival" with free refreshments, entertainment and browsing on Sunday, November 24th, from noon to 5:00 p.m. The shop's annual pre-holiday sale will be in progress and all proceeds will benefit the museum's exhibits and programs.

Guests will be entertained from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., by a trio of performers from the area's Young People's Symphony. Two of the young men attend area high schools and traveled to Europe over the summer with the symphony to perform. The third member of the trio is a student at the University of Massachusetts. The group will perform a variety of holiday and traditional selections with violin, flute, and clarinet.

This year, the Museum Shop is featuring a number of unique, new items for your holiday gift-giving. Especially popular are the Halley's Comet items including posters, books, binoculars, telescopes, and glow-in-the-dark sweatshirts. Other special new selections are handmade macrame watch bands, kaleidoscopes, semi-precious stone jewelry, and hand-blown glass "planets" resembling small, intricately designed paperweights on wooden stands.

The Science Museum Shop also carries a fine collection of science and nature books, stuffed animals, and dinosaur items for children.

"Holiday Festival" at the Museum Shop is free and open to the public. The museum is located on the Quadrangle at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield. Hours are Tuesday to Sunday, 12:00 to 5:00 p.m.

## Christmas Fair Scheduled At Indian Orchard Church

The First Congregational Church of Indian Orchard will hold a Christmas Fair on Friday, November 22nd, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 23rd, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

A Homebaked Beans and Ham Supper will be served on Friday at a reasonable price, and snacks will be available on Saturday.

A bake sale will be held along with Christmas decorations, Christmas items, games, toys, puzzles, handmade items for home and wearing, and gift giving.

## Children's Stenciling Class At Historical Museum

In the American Colonies, stenciling was a simple and inexpensive method of decorating. Stenciling became a respected occupation. Traveling stencil artists would go from place to place, remaining with a household until the work contracted for was completed.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is offering special stenciling classes for young children. Each child will sample the art of stenciling by decorating a gift (or treasure) paper box. They will learn how to stencil in a simplified Early American manner.

The workshop classes will be held on Friday, November 29th, from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., for children in grades one to three; and from 1:00 to 2:15 p.m., for children in grades four to six.

For further information, call the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum at (413) 732-3080.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services.

The historical museum is located on the Quadrangle, at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield, and is a member of the Springfield Library and Museums Association.

## Cindy Singers Scheduled To Perform In Longmeadow

The Cindy Singers will perform for "The Community Women's Club" of Longmeadow on Wednesday, November 20th, at 8:15 p.m., at the Longmeadow Community Center. The public is invited to attend.

The Chorus Group, under the direction of Cynthia Meyer, will present a program of Christmas music featuring carols from many countries and other traditional Christmas music.

The "Cindy Singers" do a great many concerts for local organizations and for area nursing homes. If you are interested in having the "Cindy Singers" perform for you, please contact Cynthia Meyer, 203-668-2471, or Terry Quinlan, 567-0687.

The Singers always welcome new voices into their group that sings three-part harmony. Call to join them at their Tuesday night rehearsals held in Suffield.

## Susan Pecora Paintings On Exhibit At Laughing Brook

Massachusetts Audubon Society's Laughing Brook Education Center in Hampden will be featuring an exhibition of New England landscapes by local artist Susan Pecora, in the Audubon Gallery from November 10th to December 19th.

Susan Pecora uses watercolors to capture the beauty of the farms and landscapes of New England. She has studied at Bay Path Junior College, the Plummer Studio, and the Ellsworth Gallery.

Her work has been exhibited extensively throughout the Connecticut Valley and recent awards include first place in the 1985 Equine Expo Art Exhibit in Northampton, and second place at the 1985 Mattoon Street Art Exhibit. Some of Miss Pecora's works are included in the permanent collections of Bank of New England, Kidder Peabody, the U.S. Post Office, and Western New England College.

The Audubon Gallery at Laughing Brook will feature an exhibit of her New England landscapes and farms, and will also highlight recent paintings of birds of prey painted from live models.

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Good vision is more essential to safe and successful hunting than it is to any other sport, according to Dr. Richard Gallerani of Feeding Hills.

The eyes behind the gun play an integral part to spotting game, aiming, and firing. When a hunter's vision skills are lacking, more than going home empty-handed is involved — the safety of fellow hunters is also at stake.

Many vision skills are involved in the action of spotting game, taking aim and firing. Since the action happens in a matter of seconds, those skills must be in top condition and must work together with a precision that becomes second nature to the hunter. Three skills that top this list are:

1. **20/20 eyesight** - the ability to see clearly at a distance.

2. **Dynamic visual acuity** — a skill which helps hunters to see sharply at a distance when aiming and firing at game in motion.

3. **Hunters must also rely** on near vision to clean and load their guns and focus on the back sight for accurate rifle shooting.

Some hunters may need prescription eyeglasses or contact lenses to put their vision skills on target. For others, the choice of the right gunsight is the answer. Hunters who need prescription glasses should discuss their sport with their Doctor of Optometry. Frames must also be geared to hunting needs — they must be strong and not interfere with the side vision.

Some hunters prefer contact lenses because they provide more natural seeing by moving with the eyes, do not fog up, and do not get in the way when sighting a gun.

Whether or not a hunter needs prescription glasses, he should wear impact resistant eyewear in the field to protect his eyes from flying shot, tree limbs, and other hazards.

Hunters need to take precaution to guard against being mistaken for game by wearing correct colors. Research indicates that hunter orange is the only satisfactory color for hunters to wear under all weather and lighting conditions. It far surpasses the traditional red for visibility.

Accurate vision skills, along with several important safety measures, comprise two important ingredients to a successful hunting trip. Vision care specialists can give expert advice to help hunters make the right choice in both of these areas.

## Holyoke Hospital Presents Back Injury Program

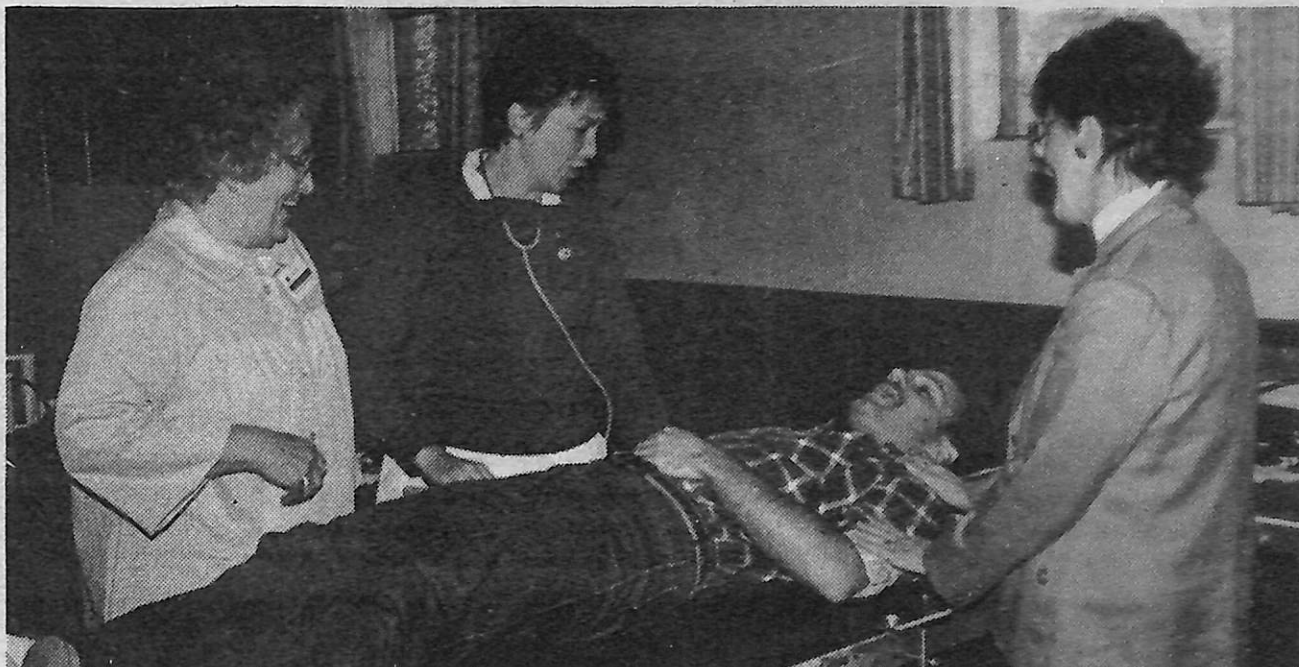
Back injury prevention will be the subject of a program entitled "How to Maintain a Healthy Back," Thursday, November 21st, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., in Holyoke Hospital's Main Conference Room.

Recent studies find that an estimated eight out of every 10 Americans at some point in their lives will experience back pain. Only heart disease costs Americans more each year in medical care, insurance, lost work, and lost leisure time.

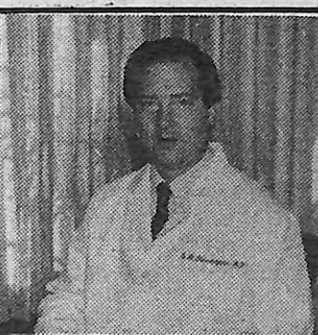
The program is open to the public and presented by the hospital, free of charge, as a community service. It will be conducted by Holyoke Hospital Physical Therapist Mary Croft.

For further information, contact Karen Turmel, R.N., 534-2514, or Mary Croft, RPT, 534-2555.

## Red Cross Bloodmobile Held At Polish Club



**GIVING BLOOD** at an American Red Cross Bloodmobile, held at the Polish American Club recently, is Lou Garvin. Looking on are Roberta Cesan, Peg McMahon, and Helen Brown. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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by Dr. Lee Pennington, M.D.

### "Cholesterol: It Ain't All Bad"

Cholesterol is found in all foods of animal origin and is part of every animal cell. Your body uses cholesterol to make essential body substances, such as cell walls and hormones, as well as for various other functions.

It is interesting to note that the body manufactures cholesterol. That manufacturing process takes place in the liver. Even if you don't eat cholesterol, your body's needs would be met.

#### Won't Mix With Water

Cholesterol, like fat, will not mix with water. Therefore, in order to carry it through the blood, the body wraps it in "protein packages." This combination of cholesterol and protein is called a lipoprotein.

Essentially, there are two different types of lipoproteins. The low density lipoprotein or LDL and high density lipoprotein or HDL.

So what is it that actually determines your blood cholesterol level? As mentioned, your body manufactures cholesterol and your particular body chemistry, which is inherent like hair or eye color, influences cholesterol level.

A diet high in saturated fat and cholesterol like that eaten by most Americans raises blood cholesterol. The higher the blood cholesterol, the greater the risk for heart attack. That is the bad news.

The good news is that with certain lifestyle modifications, you can positively effect the blood cholesterol levels.

I mentioned earlier that blood cholesterol could be the LDL, or HDL type. LDL's contain the greatest percentage of cholesterol and may be responsible for

depositing cholesterol in the artery walls.

For that reason they would be known as "bad" lipoproteins. On the otherhand, HDL's contain the greatest amount of protein and the smallest amount of cholesterol. They are believed to take cholesterol away from the cells and transport it back to the liver for processing or removal.

It has been noted that persons with high levels of HDL have less heart disease. Thus, HDL's have become known as the "good" cholesterol.

Therefore, the level of blood cholesterol and the ratio between LDL and HDL components are both important in determining your health status relative to blood cholesterol levels.

#### How Do I Raise My HDL Level?

So, you ask what can you do to raise your level of HDL? Higher levels of HDL usually are found in people who exercise regularly, don't smoke, and stay at a normal weight. The dietary habits which lower total cholesterol may also increase the HDL component or fraction. Adopting these practices may be beneficial in terms of raising your HDL level.

The benefits of lowering cholesterol are very real. Recently, released results of a clinical trial indicated that for each 1 percent reduction in blood cholesterol, there are two percent reduction in the number of heart attacks.

Therefore, those who reduced their cholesterol by 25 percent cut their risk of heart attack in half.

Your blood cholesterol should be checked periodically as part of your regular physical examination.

Cholesterol determination requires that a blood specimen be obtained and sent to the laboratory. Your doctor should be capable of obtaining a report in terms of LDL and HDL, as well as total blood cholesterol.

With this information, your doctor can offer advice on dietary alterations and lifestyle modifications which will lower total blood cholesterol and increase the HDL ratio to acceptable levels.

In summary, to control cholesterol levels, you should avoid smoking, exercise on a regular basis, and modify your diet to avoid saturated fats.

You should also have your blood cholesterol level checked by a physician and make the modifications he/she may suggest.

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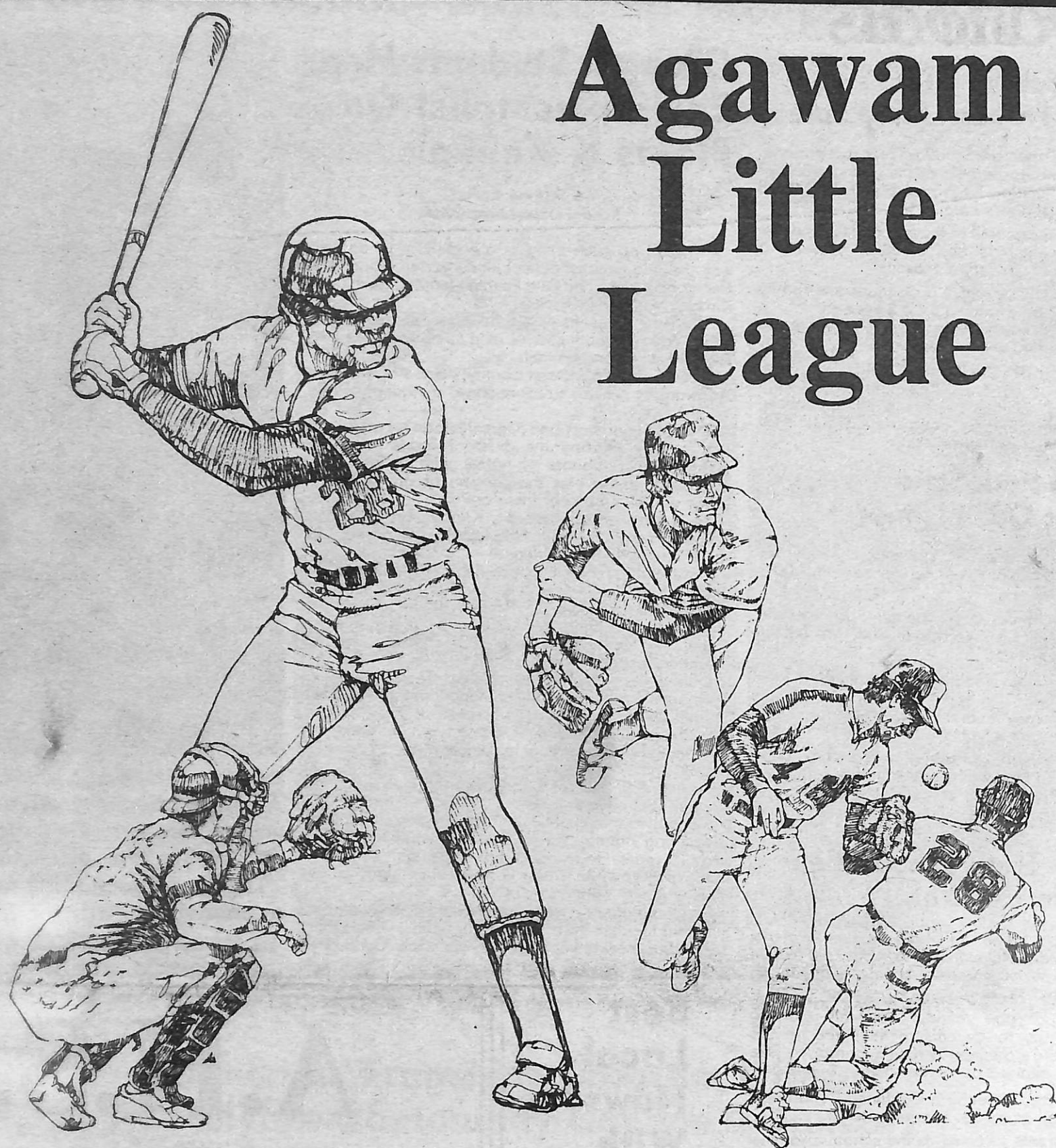
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# Schools

## Granger School PTO Sponsors Fathers' Store Sale

The Granger Elementary School PTO is sponsoring a Fathers' Store Sale, to be held at the Granger School open house on Thursday, November 21st, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., in the school's cafeteria.

The sale is for the benefit of the school PTO and will offer t-shirts, sweatshirts and banners, all with a likeness of the Granger School mascot.

PTO members will be given a discount and family memberships will be available for a \$2 fee.

Please stop by to say hello and buy a shirt while you wait for your meeting with a teacher.

T-shirts, \$4 for PTO members, \$4.50 for non-member; banners, \$.75 for PTO members, \$1 for non-member; children's sweatshirts, \$11 for PTO members, \$11.50 for non-member; adult sweatshirts, \$13 for PTO members, \$13.50 for non-member.

## Robinson Park School Schedules Open House

On Thursday evening, November 21st, Robinson Park School will be holding an open house from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The evening will feature five-minute parent-teacher conferences. Children's work will be on display throughout the building.

In conjunction with National Education Week, the Robinson Park PTO will sponsor a "Book Fair" on Thursday, November 21st and Friday, November 22nd, during the day for the children.

Parents will have an opportunity to attend the Book Fair and purchase books at the open house.

The PTO will be serving coffee in the cafeteria all evening.

## Agawam High School Plans First "Parents Night"

Agawam High School will hold its first "Parents Night" on Tuesday, November 19th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., for parents of students having difficulty in academic work.

School Principal John Morrissey said this is an excellent opportunity for parents to meet teachers to discuss their child's progress and subject matter. Five minutes will be allowed per conference.

Parents may also meet with Guidance Department personnel as well as school administrators.

"We urge parents to come to the school and meet teachers and administrators," said Morrissey. "We are looking for 100 percent cooperation and this can best be attained through personal acquaintance between school staff and parents."

## Granger Students Hear Environmentalist On Plants & Animals

by Alexis Ferioli  
School Department Editor

"There's no such thing as a bad plant or animal" was the rule Granger School kindergarten students of Georgene Knight and Ann Favreau learned from Doug Kimball, Tuesday, October 29th.

The Massachusetts Audubon Society program director visited with both classes as a culmination of their study of woodland animals.

A resident of Worcester County, Kimball traveled to Agawam as a favor to his nephew, a student of Mrs. Knight's.

The four-year Audubon director began his 60-minute program by relating the different foods woodland animals eat. Habitats of native wildlife were also discussed, as well as the dangers of attempting to touch or pick-up any of these animals.

As a highlight of his visit, Kimball brought three animals readily found in Western Massachusetts, for the students to view firsthand.

Among these were a box turtle, an opossum, and a great horned owl.

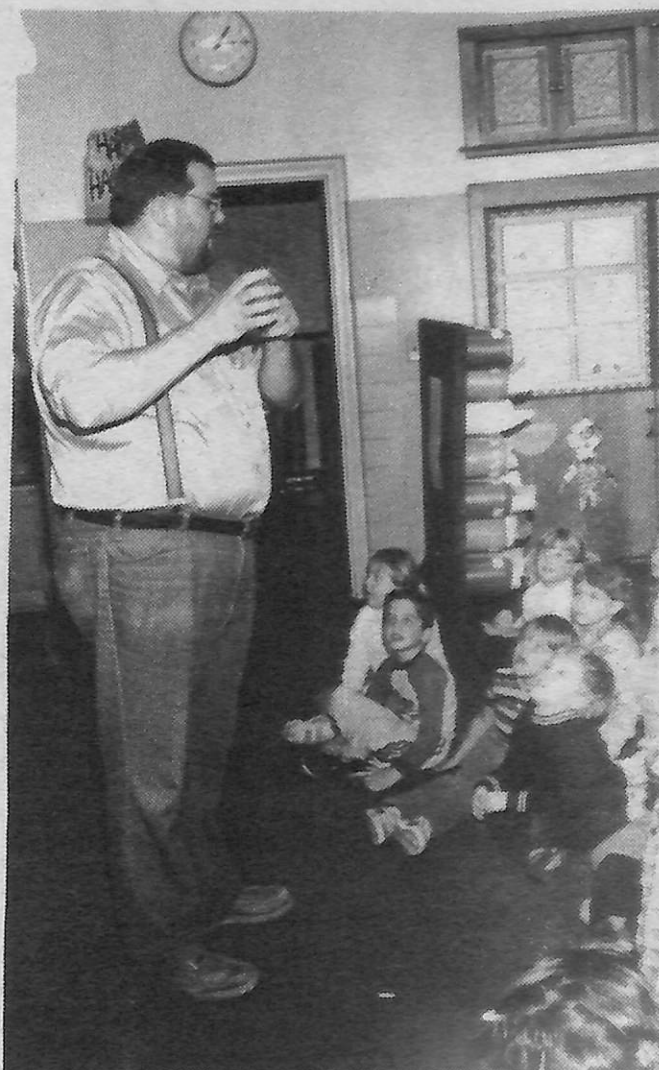
Borrowed from Laughing Brook Wildlife Sanctuary in Hampden, the three featured guests were selected since they represent a vegetarian, opportunist, and predator, respectively.

During his visit, Kimball also pointed out that our area woodlands are home to approximately 60 different mammals, 225 birds, 15 reptiles, 15 amphibians, and over 1,000 insects. These facts prompted one astonished kindergartener to declare, "It's a jungle out there!"

At the conclusion of his presentation, a question and answer session took place.

Kimball relates that he has been visiting schools and discussing nature and wildlife with students for the past 18 years. He states that he thoroughly enjoys his work, especially watching the faces of students as they view woodland animals closeup.

"If nothing else, I hope the children never forget the rule that I taught them. Perhaps that rule will help them to become more environmentally conscious adults," he states.



**DOUG KIMBALL, Massachusetts Audubon Society program director, visited Granger kindergarten classes on October 29th, discussing the theme, "There's no such thing as a bad plant or animal."**

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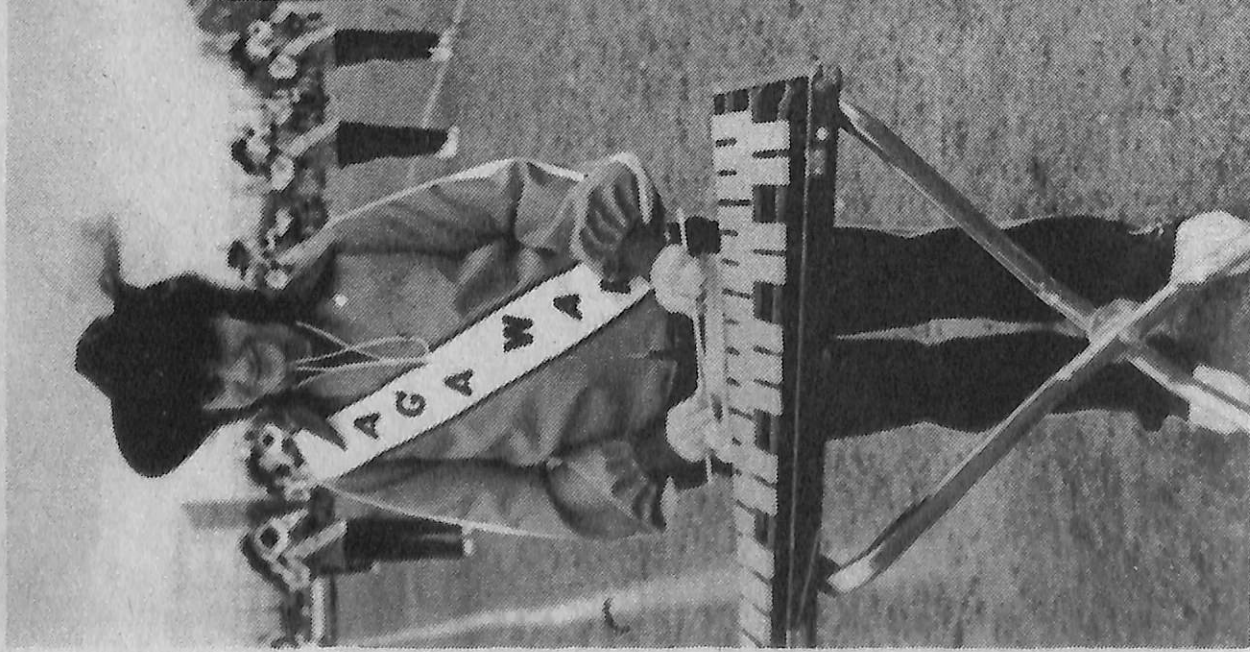
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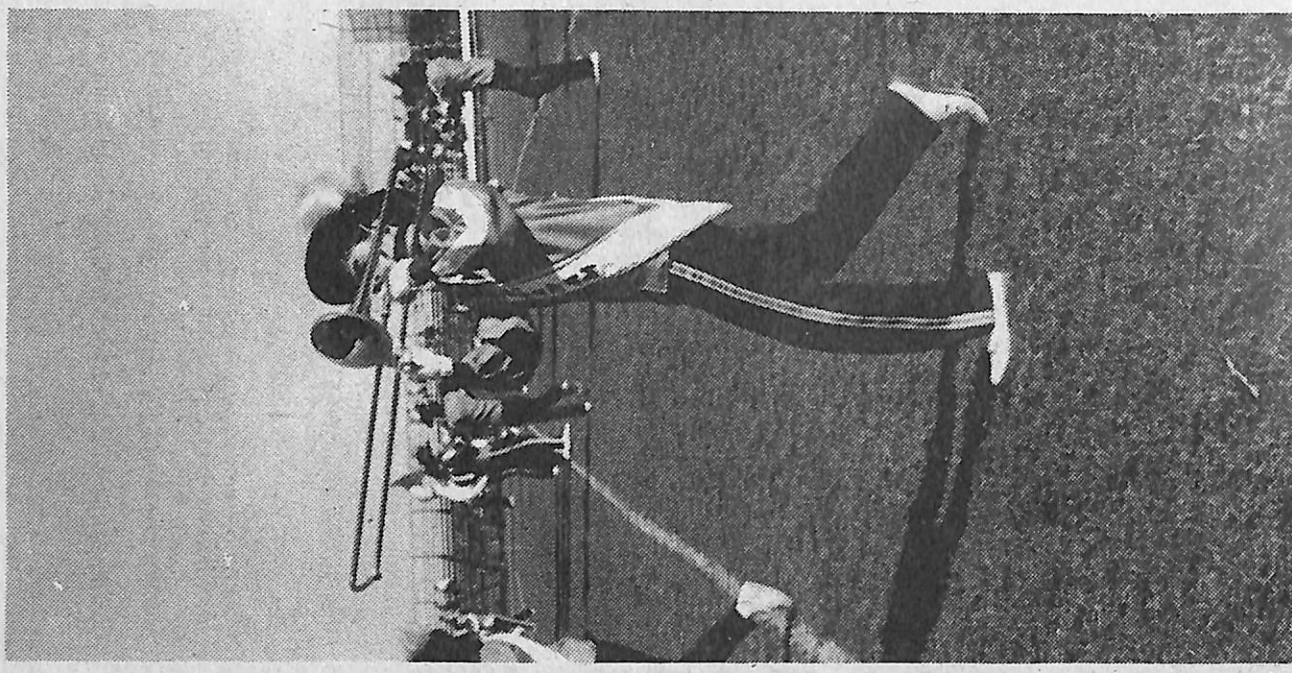


**TIFFANY STOCUM** of the Agawam High Marching Mohawks performs at halftime at recent Agawam High football game, held at Harmon Smith Field.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**DRUMMER DEREK INNERELLI** bangs the drum slowly for the Agawam High Marching Mohawks. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**BAND PRESIDENT TOM GIONFRIDO** blasts his tubbone at Harmon Smith Field halftime performance. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

## Women In Transition Program Offered At Holyoke Community College In January

Holyoke Community College is currently accepting applications for the Spring 1986 semester for the "Women in Transition Program." Classes are scheduled to begin Wednesday, January 22nd, 1986.

The Women in Transition Program is designed to encourage adult women to continue their education on the college level. Flexibility and a network of support are built into the program, so as to ease the transition for adult women from homemaker and/or employee to part-time student.

Five programs leading to the associate degree are offered through Women in Transition, including Women in Arts and Science, Women in Health, Women in Business, Women in Business Data Processing, and Women in Technology.

Classes for the program meet three days a week (Monday, Wednesday, and Friday) and are scheduled between 9:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

The workload includes three courses: two core courses as required by the particular program and a related elective, with special sections of two of those three courses.

In addition, prior to enrolling in the program, it's recommended that students enroll in a special "How To Study" course, scheduled before the semester actually begins. The program also allows for a weekly conference period for all Women in Transition students to share their concerns, to provide mutual support, and to receive assistance in career and curriculum planning.

The only requirement for the Women in Transition Program is a high school diploma or GED equivalent. Applicants must also have a personal interview whose purpose is simply to outline the program in more depth and to discuss a prospective student's needs and interests.

Financial aid is available to any woman who is eligible. Four to six weeks are necessary to process the financial aid forms.

Women interested in the program should contact Jean Goodwin, coordinator of Women in Transition at Holyoke Community College, 538-7000, extension 346.

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# School Funds Earmarked At Cuts

by Alexis Ferioli  
School Department Editor

As the result of the new educational reform bill signed into law by Governor Michael S. Dukakis last July, Agawam will soon receive \$193,933 in Equal Educational Opportunity Grant money from the state.

Intended to bring per-pupil educational spending in cities and towns across the Commonwealth to 85 percent of the state average expenditure of \$2,866 per pupil, the funding was recently accepted by both the School Committee and the Town Council.

Associate Superintendent of Schools Donald Charest points out that Agawam's per pupil expenditure is only 73 percent of the state average. The new law, however, mandates that every public school system must reach 85 percent of the state average by fiscal year 1989. In dollars, Agawam's 12 percent deficit translates into \$1.1 million.

"For years, we've been telling the town that we're not spending enough for education. Now, due to this new law, the town has to listen," he remarks.

Charest notes that with the exception of large cities such as Springfield, Holyoke, and Chicopee, Agawam will receive more state aid than any other community in Western Massachusetts, including the city of Westfield.

"The EEOG money is the state's way of saying you're not spending enough. Even after we receive these funds, we'll still be below average for per pupil expenditure," he comments.

Charest explains that the EEOG funds are earmarked for education and cannot be spent on transportation costs, athletics, administration costs, food services, or equipment.

## Pledge To Support School Budget

By accepting the funds, both the School Committee and Town Council pledge to support the school budget for the next two years. This ensures that both bodies will not be able to cut the school budget by the amount of promised state funds and then break even, he adds.

"Ideally, we hope to develop a spending pattern for the school budget which will bring us to the 85 percent state average within the next three years," states Charest.

The associate superintendent reports that in order to decide how the monies should be spent, budget cuts for the past three years were reviewed.

"Since a total of \$432,000 was cut from the budget during the past three years, state monies will only restore half of the eliminated services," he explains.

Charest states that some of the first items to be restored will be teaching supplies and materials. Approximately \$25,000 will be spent to purchase paper, pencils, crayons, rulers, and other classroom necessities.

Next, \$40,000 will be spent to purchase 3,000 new textbooks. Principals are currently compiling lists of books which are either in short supply or in very poor condition.

In regards to teacher salaries, \$20,000 has been appropriated to hire a remedial teacher for both the junior and senior high schools.

Due to overcrowded classrooms at both Granger and Robinson Park Schools, six or seven assistant teachers will be hired at a cost of \$35,000.

Moreover, \$12,000 has been allocated to hire a part-time librarian for the middle school, which has been without one since the retirement of Esther Dillon last spring.

Another way the EEOG monies will be used is to purchase \$30,000 worth of library books. Charest reports that each of the four elementary schools will receive \$1,500; the middle school \$5,000; and the junior and senior high schools, \$9,500 each to supplement their respective libraries.

Due to an unanticipated increase in special education students to the town after the start of the school year, \$20,000 has been set aside for the special education tuition fund.

Finally, \$11,933 will be utilized for in-service, professional development, curriculum, and administrative workshops.

## \$50,000 From Supplemental Budget

Charest relates that in addition to state funding, the town recently awarded \$50,000 to the School Department from its supplemental budget. Since these monies do not carry specific stipulations, areas not serviced by state funding can be addressed.

The first of these areas is transportation costs for athletics, band, and special education.

Without service for the past four years, the Athletic Department will receive \$16,000 to transport school sporting teams to various games and events.

Likewise, the Music Department will receive \$4,000 to cover the cost of transporting the band, while \$5,000 has been appropriated for special education transportation within and outside the town.

New educational equipment, such as overhead projectors, filmstrips, and video cassette recorders, will be purchased with \$10,000 from town funds.

Finally, since new equipment has not been purchased for such a long time, said Charest, \$15,000 has been designated for the replacement of old and worn-out equipment. Some of these items include projectors, screens, and audio visual software.

Charest relates that the monies, which must be spent by June 30th, should be received by the School Department shortly.

Although a considerable help, more funding is necessary if the town is ever to achieve the average in state per pupil expenditure, according to Charest.

"We're very encouraged by these funds. We can now offer students a better education through the restoration of supplies, teachers, and equipment. It's interesting to note that it took a law to make cities and towns comply with the proper funding of education," he declares.

# Student Helpers...



THE AGAWAM JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB held a paper drive last weekend and youngsters Michael Semanie, Shawn Pirnie, Sean Pirnie, and David Gallerani helped out at the Agawam High School parking lot. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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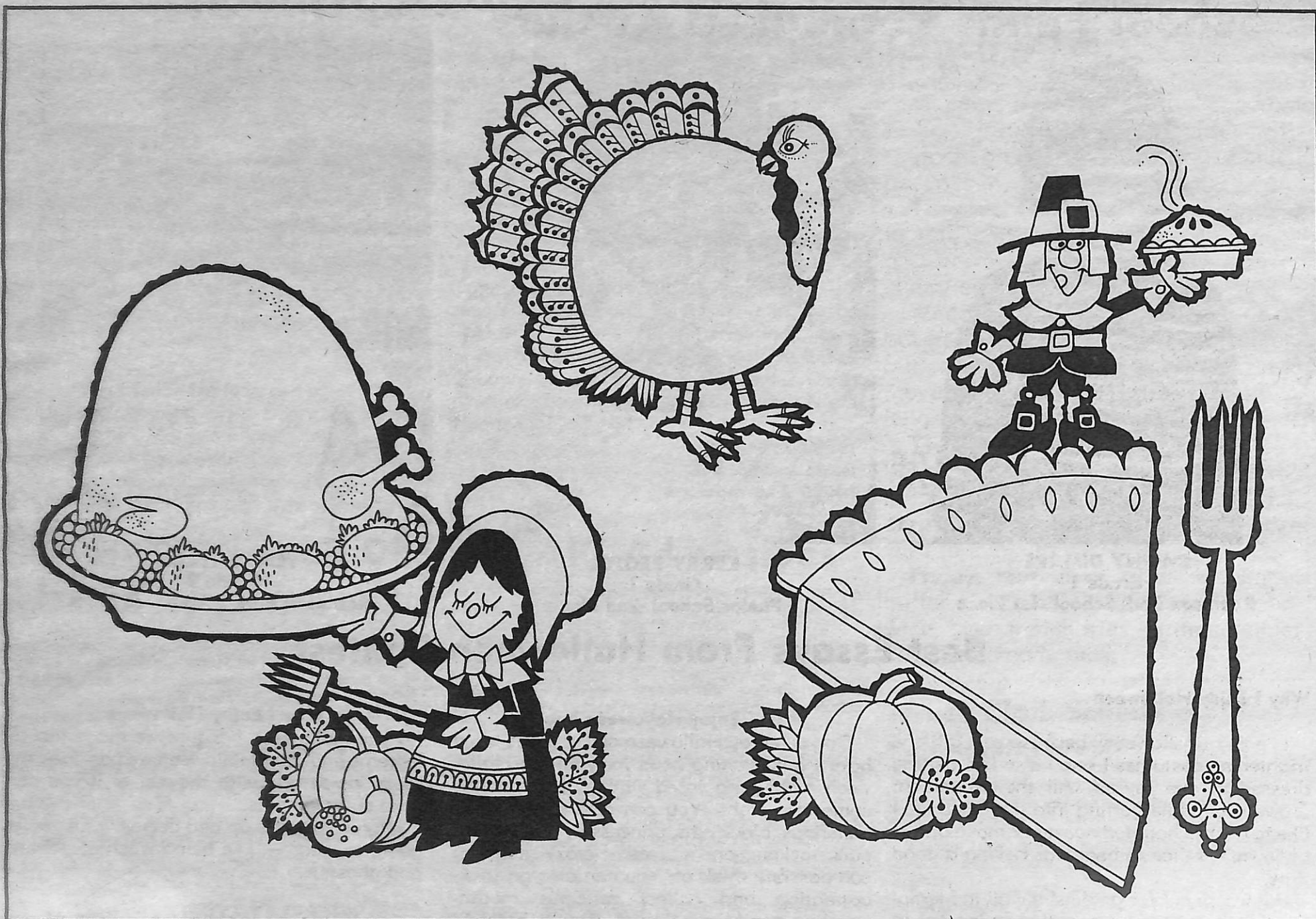
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# Thanksgiving Coloring Contest

## CONTEST RULES

1. Only elementary school residents from Agawam are eligible, (grades K-3).
2. PLEASE MAIL COMPLETED ENTRY OF COLORED-IN FIGURES ABOVE TO AGAWAM ADVERTISER/NEWS, P.O. BOX 263, FEEDING HILLS, MA. 01030. ATTENTION THANKSGIVING COLORING CONTEST. Please include name, age, school, address and phone number. All entries must be submitted no later than Saturday, November 23 at 3:00 P.M.
3. Judging will be conducted by the staff of the Advertiser/News. Prizes will be \$25 for first prize; \$15 for second prize; and \$10 for third prize.
4. Judging will be based on color creativity and neatness (try to use colors associated with the Thanksgiving figures above).
5. Candid photos of the individual winners will be published in the Advertiser/News. Winners will be contacted.

# GOOD LUCK



# Our Halloween Coloring Contest Winners



**DANNY DIMARE**  
Grade 1  
Robinson Park School -1st Place



**KERRY REOPEL**  
Grade 1  
Phelps School -2nd Place



**JEFF GAYLOR**  
Grade 2  
Robinson Park School -3rd Place

## Best Essays From Halloween Contest

### Why I Enjoy Halloween

I enjoy Halloween because of all the frightening costumes I see. I also like getting dressed in one myself. All the excitement draws near while getting into my costume. I like to go into haunted houses or make one of my own. It's nice to hear kids having a good time.

But watch out for goblins! It's all too tempting for them to see a pumpkin crying out to be destroyed! So you better keep some candy for those goblins! Unless you want a smashed pumpkin on your hands. Save some candy for other monsters to save yourself and keep some for fairies because they might give you three wishes.

But let's not forget those fabulous Halloween parties! It's so much fun to give one! The food, the fun and the friends. But make sure you have enough food! Those witches can get awfully hungry!

But the best thing I like to do is at the stroke of midnight, otherwise known as the bewitching hour, is sit and wait for a witch to come flying on a broomstick, hop on, and you'll go for the flight of your life!

But make sure you don't fall asleep! For when you awaken, Halloween will be over. And, that's why I like Halloween night!

**Susan Nickerson**  
198 Maynard Street  
Feeding Hills, MA 01030  
1st Prize

### Why I Enjoy Halloween Night

Do you enjoy Halloween night? If yes, then have I got exciting news for you! On Halloween night long-nosed witches and goblins come into sight. You can also see tip-toed ballerinas, black cats, princesses, wacked-out punk rockers, and any other crazy idea you can possibly think of. You can also go trick-or-treating and collect delicious mouth-watering candy of all sorts. (Don't forget to

have them checked!) As you can see there are all sorts of reasons why I enjoy Halloween.

**Wendy Flebotte**  
491 River Road  
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2nd Prize

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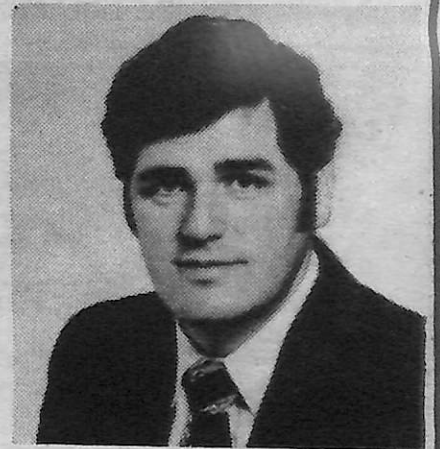
### Why I Enjoy Halloween

I like Halloween because we made jack-o-lanterns and after Halloween we can cook the seeds inside and with the rest of it you can bake pumpkin pies.

It's fun to dress up and decide what you're going to wear — like being witches, goblins and ghosts.

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**John F. Walsh**



**HALLOWEEN ESSAYS - From Page 30...**

Also, I like the candy (but my father doesn't because he has to pay the dentist bill).

Plus, I like the school party because that's where I get the candy and the fun that goes with it.

I like the special TV show, The Mystery of the Great Pumpkin.

I actually like going to school on Halloween and eating the special cake they serve.

My least favorite part of Halloween is when I have to go home and go to sleep.

**Kevin Willard**  
25 Ellison Avenue  
Agawam, MA 01001  
3rd Prize

**Why I Enjoy Halloween Night**

I enjoy Halloween night because for one night of the year you can dress up in costumes and be anything at all you want without waiting until you grow up. I also like Halloween because you can stay up late on a

school night and you get many good things to eat. I especially enjoy the school party because it gives you a chance to go to school and have fun instead of doing school work. There are also lots of games, plays and treats at the school.

**Addie DiMare**  
1122 North Street Extension  
Feeding Hills, MA 01030

**Dressing Up For Halloween Night**

I mostly enjoy Halloween Night because I like to dress up in crazy costumes. I like to dress up like many different people, my favorite being "Punk Rockers!" I try to be original when I dress up so I won't look much like my friends. I also think it is more fun to have a unique costume no one else has. Don't you think "dressing up" for Halloween Night is great fun?

**Krysten Godfrey**  
332 Adams Street  
Agawam, MA 01001

**Debonville Named Dean Of AIC Admissions**

American International College President Harry J. Cournotes announced today that John H. DeBonville of Feeding Hills has been appointed Dean of Admissions. DeBonville, 37, was previously the director of admissions at AIC, a position he held since 1982.

DeBonville's responsibilities include supervision of the college's admissions office, professional staff development, and directing the college's recruitment program.

DeBonville has just returned from a successful European recruitment effort. He will continue to personally work with guidance officials of Western Massachusetts.

"Even though my responsibilities have been expanded, I feel it is important that I will maintain frequent and personal contact with local guidance personnel, many of whom I have known for over a decade," DeBonville said.

John Fallon, Dean of External Affairs, stated, "I have known John DeBonville for over 15 years and I am

pleased that his assumption of enlarged responsibilities will permit me additional time for my responsibilities in the External Affairs area."

DeBonville has been an admissions officer since 1970.

His guidance involvement includes president of the Western Massachusetts Personnel and Guidance Association; member of both National and New England Associations of College Admissions Counselors; a member of the Massachusetts Association of School Committees; and voting representative of the College Entrance Examination Board.

He is also active in community affairs as a coach in the Agawam Soccer Association and is a former chairman of the board of directors of SPAN Center in Agawam. He is also a Deacon at St. Andrew's

Episcopal Church in Longmeadow. He also served on the Agawam School Committee.

**Agawam Schools' Lunch Menus**

**Monday, November 18th:** Pepperoni pizza, tossed garden salad with spinach greens and dressing, chilled peaches in syrup, milk.

**Tuesday, November 19th:** Hamburg in roll, cheese fingers, buttered peas and carrots, mustard, relish, catsup, cherry crisp, milk.

**Wednesday, November 20th:** Oven baked chicken nuggets, roast potatoes, buttered broccoli cuts, honey and mayonnaise, wheat bread and butter, jello with whip topping, milk.

**Thursday, November 21st:** Meatballs in spaghetti sauce, buttered macaroni, Italian bread and butter, creamy cabbage salad, blueberry cake with topping, milk.

**Friday, November 22nd:** 1/2 peanut butter sandwich, 1/2 tuna salad sandwich, oven french fries, buttered niblet corn, ice cream, milk.

**James Clark Schedules Fall Open House**

James Clark Elementary School will hold its first Open House on Wednesday, November 20th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

At this time, parents will have the opportunity to have a five-minute conference with their child's teacher.

Refreshments will be available in the cafeteria. All parents are encouraged to attend.

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## Psychologist Offers New Program To Battle Teen Suicide Problem

By Alexis Ferioli  
School Department Editor

Former Agawam elementary school psychologist, Dr. Ingrid Schweiger, has developed a new program concerning teenage suicide which she is making available to local school systems.

The second leading cause of death among people aged 10 to 24, suicide among young people nationwide has increased dramatically in recent years.

Each year, approximately 400,000 teenagers attempt unsuccessfully to end their lives. Unfortunately, 6,000 youngsters are successful.

Dr. Schweiger points out that there are many problems facing adolescents today which may be contributing factors to suicide. Among these are strong feelings of stress, confusion, and self-doubt.

According to her, pressure to succeed, economic uncertainties, and fears of nuclear war can intensify these feelings.

Moreover, divorce, the formation of new families with step-parents and step-siblings, as well as moving to a new community, can be very unsettling and intensify self-doubt.

Dr. Schweiger explains that there has been a real loss of the traditional support system for many teens. Children need strong role models to set limits and realistic expectations.

She relates that at times, academically capable students develop unrealistically high expectations. These can include too much responsibility and too many privileges for the adolescent already struggling with so many changes.

Consequently, the adolescent may have little understanding of how to cope with such pressures. Unable to deal with defeat and with no one to talk or obtain help from, the teen may decide his or her own course of action based on hopelessness and despair.

Thus, without hope or solutions, the teen feels suicide is an acceptable alternative.

Dr. Schweiger states that children and adolescents need support from those around them to help develop positive self-images and perceptions of their abilities to handle problems.

She reports that experts believe many teens who attempt suicide offer clues to their intentions. Some of these include marked changes in personality, behavior and appearance; changes in eating and sleeping habits; withdrawal from family, friends, and regular activities; violent or rebellious behavior, including running away; drug and alcohol abuse; persistent boredom, difficulty concentrating, or a decline in school work; and frequent complaints of physical symptoms often related to emotions such as headaches, fatigue, and stomach aches.

The private practitioner relates that a teenager contemplating suicide may also complain of "feeling rotten" and may give away favorite possessions. Frequently, a suicide attempt occurs just as a youngster's depression is lifting, she adds.

### Discussing Death

Dr. Schweiger notes that although many people feel uncomfortable discussing death, it is helpful to ask the youngster if he or she has contemplated suicide.

According to her, such a question will provide assurance that somebody cares and will give the person the chance to talk about their problems.

Dr. Schweiger cautions parents and educators to take threats seriously since they are a teenager's way of asking for attention.

She advises parents to answer these cries for help by listening and understanding. Sometimes, professional treatment or hospitalization may be necessary.

"With support from family and friends as well as professional treatment, teenagers who are suicidal can be restored to a more healthy path of development," remarks Dr. Schweiger.

Anyone desiring further information concerning teenage suicide, may contact Dr. Schweiger, 567-3133.

## Corcoran Honored For Retirement



**A RETIREMENT PARTY WAS HELD** for former Agawam Middle School Principal Charles Corcoran by family, friends, and former colleagues. Family members pictured above are, from left - Anna Corcoran, daughter-in-law; Charles Corcoran III, son; Margaret Corcoran, wife; Helen Corcoran, sister-in-law; William Corcoran, brother; Edward Corcoran, grandson; and Jeanne Corcoran, granddaughter. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



**FORMER COLLEAGUES OF** retired Agawam Middle School Principal Charles Corcoran attended his retirement party. From left - Helen Cosgriff, Gloria LaRiviere, Corcoran, Ralph Zavarella, who served as Corcoran's assistant principal and was later named to fill his old job; and Linda Scheue. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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## AHS Mohawks Thank Several People For Success Of Band

Agawam High Marching Mohawk instructors help greatly in the achievement of the band and color guard groups, according to Darcy Davis, AHS Music Director.

In addition to the leadership and instruction done by the drum majors and color guard captains in recent years, the color guard has had the expertise of Betty Sosnowitch in the training and development of the group.

Miss Sosnowitch has had many years of experience in color guard work with competing groups, including the present Zenith Color Guard who have been champions in the National Judges Circuit. In addition to designing some of the equipment work for both flags and rifles, she works with the groups in teaching and polishing the routines.

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Last year, the percussion section was fortunate to gain in some instruction from John Kallipolites, a present band parent who played in the drum section of the Agawam High Band when they represented Massachusetts at the National Music Man Contest in Mason City, Iowa, and has also had considerable experience in competing drum corps.

He is again working with the expanded percussion section which has made great strides during the past two years in both percussion ensemble work, as well as supporting the band in regular field and parade numbers.

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This year, the band has been very happy to have the help of another experienced marching band instructor in Barry Petty, the newest member of the Agawam Schools' music staff. He is presently the music and chorus teacher at Phelps and Robinson Park Schools, and has spent many evenings and weekends with the Marching Mohawks in helping to prepare them for their competition events.

In addition to playing with the University of Alabama "Million Dollar Marching Band" during his college years, Petty has worked with that group as a graduate assistant director while working on his master's degree at the university.

While in high school at Robert E. Lee High School in Huntsville, Alabama, Petty was first chair clarinet in band and in the Huntsville Youth Symphony. During his high school years, he also was awarded a position with the All State Band for several years and won 20 solo/ensemble medals. He won the "Outstanding Musician Award" from the Tennessee Tech Jazz Festival, and the University of Alabama Summer Music Camp, along with a scholarship to the university.

While in college, he was the first chair clarinet of the University Symphonic and Concert Bands, clarinet section leader of the "Million Dollar Band," and a member of the clarinet choir. He also played in the pit orchestra for four Broadway musicals: *Guys and Dolls*, *My Fair Lady*, *Hello Dolly*, and *The King and I*.

The members of the Agawam High Band have gained a wealth of knowledge from his experience during this season, and appreciate the time and effort he has put into the program as well as the pleasure of his company.

## Agawam Library Celebrates Children's Book Week

Every year in November, a week is set aside to promote children's interest in reading good books. Author Franklin K. Matthews and publisher Frederic G. Melcher began this tradition in 1919. The first "Book Week" poster was designed in 1921 by illustrator Jessie Wilcox Smith and urged "More Books In The Home."

The Children's Book Council in New York City, which coordinates the plans for yearly observances, reports that "Book Week" has contributed greatly to the improvement of the children's literature.

Children's Book Week celebrations often include exhibits in schools and libraries, appearances by authors and illustrators, special programs and story hours.

## PAC Sets Nov. 18th Meeting

The Parents Advisory Council for Special Education would like to thank parents for taking the time to respond to the questionnaire that was sent home last week. The response was excellent.

If there are any parents who have not completed the questionnaire, please do so as the deadline has been extended.

The results of this questionnaire will be discussed at the next PAC meeting, to be held Monday, November 18th, at 7:00 p.m., in the Agawam Junior High library.

All parents are invited to attend. PAC needs to work together in order to improve the quality of education for Agawam special education students.

## Clark PTO Says Thanks For Bake Sale

The James Clark PTO would like to thank everyone who donated baked goods for their bake sale held Tuesday, November 5th.

They would also like to thank all those who supported the sale. All proceeds will benefit the James Clark PTO.

## Phelps PTO Schedules Open House November 20th

Phelps Elementary School will hold an Open House on Wednesday, November 20th, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., to provide an opportunity for parents to meet with their child's teacher to discuss school progress.

Five minutes have been provided for each individual conference. If more time is necessary, parents are requested to make additional arrangements. Kindergarten appointments have already been scheduled.

Throughout the evening, raffle tickets will be sold and coffee will be provided by the Phelps PTO.

Twenty-eight students at Holyoke Community College, including Mary Jean Kamyk, 71 Woodside Drive, Agawam, have been named to the 1986 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges*.

The students were nominated by faculty members and selected on the basis of academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for continued success.

Students honored in the annual directory, which was first published in 1934, are selected from more than 1,400 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and several foreign nations.

## Students Honor Veterans



**YOUNG NIKOLE SEYMOUR**, a junior auxiliary of the Agawam American Legion, and **Adam Seymour**, son of Post Commander Glenn Seymour (left), put American flags on the graves of deceased veterans on Veterans' Sunday, November 10th. At right is Edward Hottin, also of the Agawam American Legion. Advertiser

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# Sports

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## Ken Berard: Grid Workhorse Who Never Stops

by Judith Kelliher  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Picture this gridiron scene: It's a third down and short yardage situation. The quarterback hands the ball off to a 5'9", 180-pound runner, who then bulls his way for the first down - and more.

This scene is not all that unfamiliar if you've been following the exploits of the Agawam High football Brownies in 1985.

The hardworking halfback mentioned is number 44, Ken Berard, without question the mainstay, main-man, and blood and guts of the Brownies' offense.

Agawam, under first-year coach Joe Modzelewski, stand 2-6 overall and 1-4 in the AA Conference this year. The schoolboy gridders have games remaining vs. Cathedral (November 16th) and West Springfield on Thanksgiving Day (November 28th).

While the Brownies' play has been inconsistent in 1985, there has been a strong constant - the rushing of Berard, who is nearing the 1,000 yard mark for this season (908 yards to date).

Modzelewski readily admits his team relies heavily on Berard. And why not? His ballcarrying has kept them in contention in many games - carried them to victory twice.

"Ken's job is to carry the football. With his size and strong legs, he's very tough to take down. He's done the job for us this season," said Modzelewski.

Statistically, Berard has compiled some impressive credentials. Besides the 908 yards, he has eight touchdowns, averages 4.6 yards carry, and lugs the pigskin at least 25 times per game.

In the I-formation, being used this year by Modzelewski, it's necessary for Berard to do the bulk of the ballcarrying. Fullback Bobby Altobelli doesn't possess the breakaway speed, thereby making Berard the team's major threat to thrust for big chunks of yardage.

The team's passing game also has not been as effective as had hoped as well.

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Berard's role this season is a far cry from his chores in 1984. His primary job was the block for then senior Bobby Wing, an All-Western Mass. speed merchant who rushed for over 1,000 yards last year and was a threat to break the big one at any time.

Berard told us that carrying the offensive load for the Brownies doesn't put any more pressure on him.

"It doesn't matter what kind of play it is. First down or third down I just try to work hard each time I carry the ball," he said.

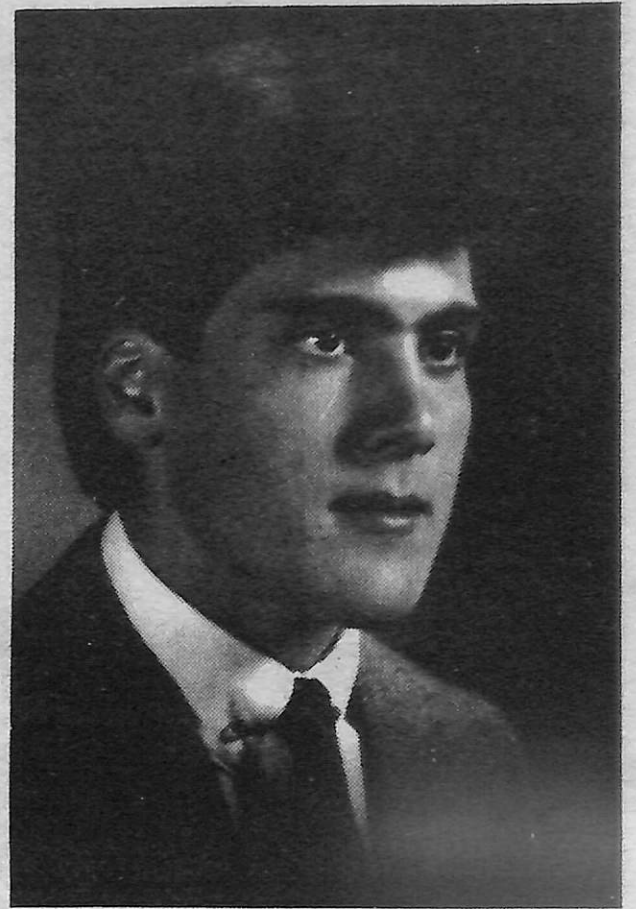
He attributed some of that to the good physical shape he and his teammates are in. "I think that as a team we are in much better shape because coach Modzelewski works us very hard at practice.

The tougher workouts have paid off for Berard because in eight games he has rushed for over 100 yards in six of them.

His best day to date was 152 yards in a big upset of Classical on a wet and muddy day. In two losing efforts, Berard churned out 148 yards against Division I Super Bowl-bound Chicopee Comp and 132 vs. Holyoke.

With two games remaining, Berard hopes his team will emerge victorious in both, thereby moving the team closer to the .500 mark. He also thinks about the touchdown record on Thanksgiving Day vs. West Side (four), noting that it would be a wonderful way to end his schoolboy career by breaking it.

"I guess that is a dream but I've always believed in shooting for things," said Berard. "First, I want the team to win. Records seem to come when teams work hard together."



SENIOR KEN BERARD

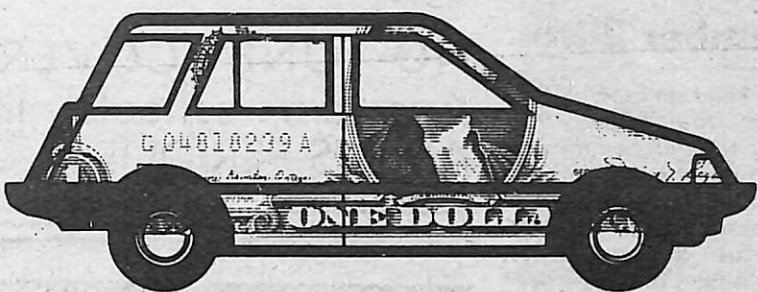
### Agawam Little League Slates Early Bird Sign-Ups

The Agawam Little League will be holding its 1986 baseball sign-ups on Saturday, November 23rd, at the Agawam Middle School cafeteria, Main Street, Agawam.

The time for the sign-ups is from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The 1985 "early bird" registration fee for the Spring of 1986 baseball program is \$10 per player. The divisional ages are: 10 to 12 years-old Major

Division; eight to nine years-old Minor Division; and six to seven years-old Instructional Division.

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## Turnovers Plague Brownies In Close Loss To Falcons

by Judith Kelliher  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The real score read 14-7. But the statistic that underscored this schoolboy football game read four mistakes to none in favor of Minnechaug Regional of Wilbraham.

Two bad snaps and two fumbles by Agawam High paved the way for the Falcons, which slipped through the backdoor for the AA Conference victory on Saturday, November 9th, in Wilbraham.

It was the first AA Conference victory for the defending two-time Western Mass. Super Bowl champs, who are only a shadow of the superb Minnechaug teams of the past several years.

The Brownies, meanwhile, dropped to 2-6 overall and 1-4 in the AA Conference. Frankly, the locals could easily be 3-2 in the league with any kind of luck.

"It seems we've found every way to lose this season," lamented first-year coach Joe Modzelewski. "But, that's not because of the kids' attitude. They keep trying every week."

He added, "Offensively, we caused our own problems. When we committed mistakes, it was always at a crucial place on the field. We didn't get any breaks and they did."

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The manner in which the game started, it appeared as though the Brownies' running attack would roll right over the Falcons' defensive unit.

After the home folks punted its first possession, the Brownies took over at the Falcons' 47-yard line.

Agawam called nine straight ground plays, eight of them by durable workhorse Ken Berard, including thrusts of seven, nine, and 11 yards en route. On the ninth play, Berard used a good second effort on a four-yard burst to paydirt. Sophomore Jay Miller added the extra point for the locals, who led 7-0 with 6:55 left in the first quarter.

After trading possessions (still in the first quarter), the first of Agawam's two fumbles occurred at its own 15-yard line.

The Falcons needed just one play, a 15-yard scoring strike from quarterback Todd Bennett to split end Pete Siciliano with 49 seconds left to draw within 7-6.

Midway through the second quarter, Agawam failed on a third and 13 situation, forcing a punt. A bad snap to junior Punter Todd Godek caught the Brownies deep in their own territory.

The Falcons used four running plays to hammer out the lead. The capper was a nine-yard rush by Tony Barrett from a pitch-out on a first-and-goal situation. Bennett threw a pass to Dave Hartin for the two-point conversion giving Minnechaug the lead for good with 3:12 left before the intermission.

The Brownies immediately battled back. They sustained a drive from its own 28 yard-line all the way to the Falcons' 7, thanks mainly to big gains by Berard, who finished with 132 yards on 33 carries.

With eight seconds remaining before the half and facing a second-and-goal situation from the 7 yard-line, Miller attempted a field goal. He missed wide to the left but a bad snap from center certainly altered the timing of the play.

Modzelewski said of the field goal try, "Our thinking was that Minnechaug would not be able to score off us the rest of the game. We felt if we could score a field goal just before halftime, it would take something away from them and give us the edge."

While the field goal went afoul, Modzelewski was right. The Falcons couldn't score off the Brownies in the second half. But neither could the Brownies offense surge over the goal.

The locals had two scoring opportunities in the second half. With three minutes left in the third quarter, QB Peter Saracino fumbled on a keeper to give the Falcons the ball at its own 29 yard-line.

On another drive, the Brownies faced a fourth-and-one situation from the Falcons' 30. However, a jazzed-up defense stopped Berard cold with 2:55 left in the game, similar to the situation that killed Agawam when Holyoke used a magnificent goal-line stand with no time remaining to stop Berard.

The Brownies defense did play a fine game vs. the Falcons in one of their better efforts this season. They were able to stay away from being burned for long touchdowns, thereby keeping the opponents in check throughout.

Agawam will play host Cathedral High (3-2-4-3), a pretty tough cookie, in its next AA Conference battle on Saturday, November 16th.

## Agawam Little League Sets Directors' Meeting

The Agawam Little League Baseball board of directors will hold an organizational meeting during the first week of December to discuss plans for the 1986 baseball season.

Anyone wishing more information or desiring to volunteer their services and talents to benefit more than 200 youngsters in the Town of Agawam, please contact David Cleavall, 786-2713.

## Field Hockey Seniors End Careers



**AGAWAM HIGH SENIORS WHO RECENTLY ended their field hockey careers are, from left - Ellen Conlin, Lisa Caron, Gina Serra, and Cathy Landry.** Advertiser

News photo by Jack Devine.

## Tassinari Saves Frosh In Seasonal Finale

by Judith Kelliher

Mike Tassinari's desperation goal with 45 seconds left in the game gave the Agawam Junior High freshman soccer team a 1-1 tie with West Springfield in its season-ending game on November 1st.

Agawam, under first-year coach Ray Wright, finished the season at 7-5-3.

As in many of its games this season, the frosh dominated ball control and outshot the opposition by at least a two-to-one margin.

The West Side game was no exception as the Warriors outgunned them, 24-7.

"We had shots over the crossbars, wide off the crossbars, from just about every angle possible," lamented Wright afterwards. "We shot the ball everywhere but in the goal. It's a good thing Mike (Tassinari) put it in or we'd have to swallow a very tough defeat."

He added, "It was an excellent ballgame and both teams worked very hard. It was a good way for us to end the season," he added.

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Team play and a positive attitude helped Agawam

to a successful season, Wright said, including several close battle with strong opponents.

Three of the Warriors' losses were by 2-1 scores and the other two were to powerful Ludlow.

"This season was very rewarding for both the boys and myself. We were in every ballgame. Many of them weren't decided until near the end of the game," Wright said.

Besides Tassinari, the Warriors were sparked offensively by top goal-getter Brian Boutwell (11 goals). Also aiding on the front line were Chris DiMascola, Chris Kasperak, Jackie Prendergast, and Chris LaPlante.

Defensively, Agawam was anchored by top-notch efforts from Dave Fazio, Chad Alechny, Todd Vangsness, Chad Blackak, and Martino Santaniello.

The halfback and midfield positions were spearheaded by Tim Burns, Scott Dinsmore, Nino Manes, Chris Cosgrove, Dave Anspach, and Mark Romeo.

The goaltending duties were handled admirably by Jason Krynicki and Dave Poggi.

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# Agawam Girls' Miss Tournament Again In 1985

by Judith Kelliher  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

For the second consecutive season, the Agawam High girls' soccer team just missed qualifying for the Western Mass. Division I Schoolgirl Tournament, now in full swing.

It was particularly frustrating this season for the Brownies. They needed either a win or a tie in their last two games to clinch a tournament berth.

Agawam's last two contests were by no means cake-walks as they fell to tournament-bound Fielding Division foe Ludlow (November 1st) and Classical (October 30th), both by identical 2-0 scores.

Agawam, under coach Bill O'Brien, finished the season with a 9-6-2 record. As an example of the very competitive teams they faced in the league, regular foes West Springfield, Ludlow, Cathedral, and Classical received the top four seeds in the tournament, respectively. Ironically, and much to the ire to some of the Agawam players, Coombs Division Northampton received the eighth seed with a 6-8-3 record.

A year ago, the locals were bumped by a Central Mass. team who play a less quality schedule than the Brownies.

Against Ludlow (12-2-3), the Brownies were feeling the bumps and bruises of its very physical and emotionally demanding loss to Classical. The Brownies entered the game with many bangs, and sickness set in as well, further hindering their chances.

"We went in the game knowing we were hurting, but the kids did not quit. They gave it their best shot, especially considering the circumstances and I'm very proud of them," said O'Brien.

Agawam was the only team this season to outshot the Lions (13-10). Offensively, the locals had several chances to score but were unable to convert.

Ludlow used goals by Jody Davignon and Michelle Gamache to eliminate the Brownies from the tournament, thereby enhancing its own seeding.

"O'Brien said, "Even though we were down by two goals, the girls worked very hard right to the final whistle. They still believed they could come back and win."

**BROWNIE NOTES:** Sophomore Kelly Sullivan finished as the Brownies' top-point getter with 12 goals and five assists. After a red-hot start, she was marked well by opponents, who quickly realized her scoring potential. Filling a big void on the offense was Sue Fassnacht with 10 goals and Cindy Slate, a senior, with six goals and six assists.

Key defensive play from goalie Trish Landry and Cindy Roy enabled the Brownies not to lose a game by more than two goals all season. Actually, the Brownie were in the thick of things all year long.

## AHS Harriers 4th In Division I Meet

by Judith Kelliher  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Agawam High boys' cross country team finished just about where coach Gus Young figured they would at the Western Mass. Division I Championships held Saturday, November 9th, at Northfield Mountain.

The Valley Wheel champion Brownies, who finished 10-0 in the league and 10-1 overall, placed fourth at the Western Mass. Meet. That was one notch better than the team's 1984 finish.

The Division I field was led by Amherst Regional (53), Cathedral (93), and West Springfield (137).

West Side was the only team to beat the Brownies this season. Again, the Terriers proved to be the Brownies nemesis. The Terriers' third place finish qualified them for the State Cross Country Championships. The Brownies didn't face either Amherst or Cathedral in the regular season.

"Fourth place was really the best finish we could have hoped for," said Young. "It would've taken an upset for us to place any higher. The three teams ahead of us are all very strong and have lots of talent and depth."

At Northfield's very hill and challenging course, Agawam's Jon Corso finished sixth and qualified individually for the state's, slated for Saturday, November 16th, at Franklin Park in Boston.

Corso's time of 17:05 was the ninth best overall for Division I & II in Western Mass.

In a surprise move, Agawam's Todd Jediny finished 24th, just ahead of teammate Nick Paquette (28th). Paquette always finished ahead of Jediny in all previous meets.

Rounding out the Brownies finishers were Mike Carabetta (42nd), Joe Beavis (56th), Pat Longley (66th), and Ralph Esemio (72nd), out of a field of 120 runners.

## Final Agawam Soccer Assn. Standings

### Girls Under 10

Freeman's Beacons  
Forgous's Cosmos  
Baldyga's Falcons  
Reynolds's Sounders  
Girard's Apollos

18 pts.  
16 pts.  
13 pts.  
4 pts.  
0 pts.

### Girls Under 12

Leger's Beacons  
Dickman's Cosmos  
Washburn's Apollos  
Brown's Falcons

18 pts.  
16 pts.  
10 pts.  
4 pts.

### Girls Under 14

Kendall's Apollos  
Radtko's Beacons  
Jochim's Falcons  
Mazeika's Cosmos

20 pts.  
17 pts.  
7 pts.  
4 pts.

### Co-Ed Under 17

Balthazar's Sounders  
Landry's Beacons  
Parrotta's Cosmos  
Griffin's Apollos  
Drzal's Falcons

14 pts.  
12 pts.  
8 pts.  
4 pts.  
0 pts.

### Boys Under 10

Daubmann's Sounders  
Rousseau's Apollos  
Fairlie's Wolves  
Patrick's Cosmos  
Rose's Hellions  
Martin's Mustangs  
Russell's Cougars  
Newman's Tornados  
Hollander's Beacons  
Bryant's Falcons

18 pts.  
11 pts.  
10 pts.  
10 pts.  
10 pts.  
9 pts.  
9 pts.  
8 pts.  
3 pts.  
0 pts.

### Boys Under 12

Zern's Hellions  
Cartabiano's Sounders  
Poggi's Cosmos  
Sheehan's Cobras  
Daly's Wolves  
Innerelli's Mustangs  
Connor's Tornados

20 pts.  
19 pts.  
16 pts.  
9 pts.  
6 pts.  
6 pts.  
4 pts.

### Boys Under 14

Godek's Cosmos  
Kendall's Apollos  
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## Serra-DePalma Combo Leads Frosh Gridmen To Second Victory

by Judith Kelliher  
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Quarterback John Serra threw a 30-yard touchdown pass to wide receiver John DePalma with two minutes remaining in the game to lift the Agawam Junior High freshman football team to a dramatic, 27-20 victory over Minnechaug Regional of Wilbraham, Friday, November 8th, at Harmon Smith Field.

The see-saw battle was deadlocked 14-14 at halftime, but dogged drives to paydirt by Agawam gave them their second win of the 1985 campaign.

Coach Lou Conte's gridders play their final game of the season, Friday, November 15th, at home vs. Cathedral (3:00 p.m.).

Minnechaug only had two losses going into the game. The keys to the victory, according to Conte, were the fine pass protection afforded to Serra by the offensive line, and Serra's timely passing to DePalma and wide receiver Joe Modzelewski.

Minnechaug seized a 14-0 lead in the first quarter, but Agawam capitalized on a turnover to score its first touchdown. Also, it gave the Warriors a fresh shot of confidence.

After recovering the miscue on Minnechaug's 30, Serra capped a short drive with a five-yard TD run on the option play (14-6 Minnechaug).

With two minutes left in the half, key connections from Serra to Modzelewski and DePalma brought the Warriors from its own 40-yard line to Minnechaug's 3. On the last play of the half, one that gave the Warriors another big emotional lift, running back Jay Votzak went three yards for the score. Serra then hit DePalma for the two-point conversion to even the score (14-14).

Agawam took the lead for the first time early in the third quarter after marching 70 yards. Tough rushing by Ted DeCosmo and Votzak, who had over 100 yards for the day, moved the locals downfield. A 40-yard pass play from Serra to Modzelewski brought the locals to the Minnechaug 5-yard line.

DeCosmo then grabbed a five-yard pass from Serra for the go-ahead touchdown. Serra also converted the extra point (21-14).

Minnechaug scored on its next possession to come within 21-20 near the end of the third quarter, thereby putting the pressure on the Warriors until Serra's connection with DePalma finished the visitors for good.

Good blocking by Rich DiLullo and Bill Moccio, and a 10-yard catch by DePalma were keys to the locals' final TD of the day.

## BC Assumes Parish Bowling Lead

And the race is on! After nine weeks of rolling in the Monday night Tri Parish Bowling League, a bundle of teams are attempting to win the Round One championship. Boston College, led by ferocious BOBBY MOC-CIO, have finally grabbed the top spot (22 wins), followed by Villanova (21½ wins), St. Michael (20 wins) and last week's leaders, Fordham (19½), who fell to BC in a critical match-up.

On the individual level, Holy Cross (18 wins) captain STU STORK continues that team's rejuvenation with a seasonal high triple of 387. The previous high was held by RICH SNYDER (365). Also having a major league night for HC was DANA PEPPER (341). She broke the seasonal high triple of RENEE JURY'S with a 341 and also launched a season high single (136) for women.

In the big shakedown over Loyola, where BC jumped into first place by gaining three wins to one, PAT RESCIGNO of BC just defeated SHARON ROVITHIS, 242-237. Also, SANDY PRZESZLO of the winners crowned MAYBETH "Miss Consistent" COUGHLIN, 315-249. RON HAMEL of the loser did have a decent score of 290, and captain EDDIE ANDERSON of Loyola, in an intense rivalry, upended Bobby Moccio, 352-309. But in the end, it was Moccio's crew who had the last laugh.

Villanova used last place St. Anselm's (12 wins) to get right back into serious contention for first place. Their three wins to one night was led by JEAN BUONICONTI (293) and the Lordly Barber FRANK RESCIGNO (315). The real sticker came after Frankie's scoring when anchor-man STEVE ROVITHIS blasted St. A's captain VI MASSOIA, 333-293. Frankie sits there like the Cheshire cat this year - the pressure is off him in the anchor position.

Third place St. Michael continued to battle. The split with Catholic University (11th place) in a match they needed much more than CU. Winning for St. Mike's were PAULINE DEPALO (264) and red-hot PAUL DEZIELLE (324). It was a good thing the former Agawam High football star Dezielle was rolling well -

his captain, MIKE O'CONNELL, was really floored by CU captain JIM SNYDER, 334-280. The other winner for CU was Jim's mother, VENETTA SNYDER (294).

The much improved Holy Cross team delivered a severe blow to last week's first place team, Fordham. Dana Pepper's 341 really dug a knife into Fordham. Then, captain Stu Stork blasted 387 pins en route to a marvelous 38-pin victory over Fordham's RICH SNYDER (345). Fordham was able to avoid a sweep when JOE RESCIGNO defeated LAURIE SNYDER, 248-208. Fordham captain ANN O'CONNELL hit a 314 in defeating ERNIE BLAIR (273), but the combination of Pepper-Stork proved too much for Fordham to deal with on this night.

Notre Dame, another much-improved team (18 wins), knocked St. Mary's completely out of contention for the round championship, four wins to none. St. Mary's has 17 wins. Even a split would have put them into the top running.

Winners for ND included JOE CALABRAIS (311), ESTHER DEPALO (294), and RENEE JURY (318). The third ND roller over the 300 mark, captain JOHN RESCIGNO, had a 314. He was defeated by St. Mary's very disappointed captain, FRED MORASSI (326). Too bad Freddie. Maybe next round.

In the final match between two teams out of the running in this round, Georgetown (17½ wins-8th place) split with last year's disappointing grand champions, St. Louis (16 wins-10th place).

The big story of this match was DEBBIE POIRIER's startling victory over a slipping AL "The Fearsome One" MOCCIO, 341-319. G-Town's CHERYL PRZESZLO had a good night by firing a nifty 300, and JOHN O'CONNELL, subbing for sick brother MIKE O'CONNELL, had an important 285 for St. Lou. JOHN MLINEK hit a 310 for G-Town in crushing STELLA BARBIERI (263). Alas, Debbie outdueled Al in a big way, paving the way for the split.

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## Brownies' Gymnasts To Close 1985 Season Nov. 18th

For practically the first time all season, the Agawam High girls' gymnastics team had its entire team competing in a meet when it faced Holyoke on Thursday, November 7th.

Injuries and sickness have kept the 2-11 Brownies from sporting a full lineup throughout the fall. They have two meets remaining; one vs. Westfield (Thursday, November 14th-presstime) and vs. West

Springfield (Monday, November 18th-home).

Against Holyoke, Agawam earned its highest team total of the season, but it was in a 95.95-77.95 losing effort.

"Overall, we did a lot better than we have in the past, mainly because we had the whole team there," said second-year coach Laura Bruso. "Also, several of the girls had their best performances of the year."

Senior co-captain

Maureen Burns achieved her personal best in the all-around competition with a 21.2 total. Included was her personal best of 5.85 on the floor exercise, as well as a 6.1 (vault), 5.45 (beam), and 3.8 (uneven bars).

Three other Brownies earned personal best scores with Wendi Zmyroz (6.5), Michaeline Holland (5.25), an Jackie Provost (4.95), all in the floor exercise.

Judith Kelliher

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## SPORTSMAN'S CORNER

by Bill Chiba

### Hunting All Over The Place

I don't have the results of the bow kill from other weighing stations, but I do from the Tolland General Store. The total for the week is 13. The following bowhunters took their first deer on their licenses. A bowhunter in Massachusetts is entitled to two deer — it can be a doe and buck or two bucks.

Statistics include: David Gerin, Holyoke, 3 point, 115 pound buck; Phil Girard (formerly of Agawam, now a resident of Granville), 6 point, 170 pound buck; David Troland, 92 pound doe, Foxboro; Mark Poirier, 70 pound button buck, Feeding Hills; John Davis, Agawam, doe; Tom Duffy, Lowell, 4 point, 105 pound buck; Jim Deming, Tolland, 115 pound doe; Steven Downie, Chicopee, 70 pound button buck; William Lebeau, Worcester, 60 pound button buck; and last,

but not least, Steven Mills, Sheri Lane, Agawam, a 100 pound spike buck. This is Steve's second deer with the bow. Steve is 17 years-old.

#### States To Receive \$167 Million

Sport fish funds nearly tripled due to Wallop-Breaux expansion legislation. The money, which will be supplemented by a final appropriation in early 1986, comes from excise taxes on equipment bought by hunters and anglers, and is used to support the management, research, and land acquisition programs of state fish and wildlife agencies.

This year, the sport fishing restoration account includes the addition of more than \$65 million in new funds produced by 1984 legislation. This law extended the excise taxes to include some types of previously untaxed fishing equipment, and incorporated a share of motorboat fuel taxes.

The fish restoration funds were also expanded by 10 percent. This money is distributed on a formula based on the number of angling license holders, and the land and water area of each state.

The states will also receive a large sum under the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Fund. This year, Texas, Alaska, Pennsylvania, California, and Michigan led the recipients of Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Funds.

The Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Program Funds come from an 11 percent excise tax on

sporting arms and ammunition; an 11 percent tax on certain archery equipment; and a 10 percent tax on pistols and revolvers. Wildlife fund proportions are calculated on the basis of hunting license holders and land area, while the hunter education share is based on the relative population of each state.

Massachusetts will also receive \$800,000 from the Sport Fish Restoration Funds.

This spring, the Reagan administration, through the Office of Management and Budget, tried to steal the Sportsmen Funds and the new federal user fees paid by U.S. boaters and anglers. The Congress finally stood up and said enough is enough, and \$125 million will be distributed to the states. Massachusetts' share of the boaters fees for 1986 is \$1.75 million.

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The water temperature of the ocean has not dropped as rapidly as in previous years. Captain Wimpy (Ernie Lombardi) is taking advantage of the unusual conditions. He and his crew had a ball recently catching their limit of stripers, then went in search of blues and caught their fill of them.

The water temperature has to drop a little before the large (18 pounds and up) are in their familiar haunts. November's blue bird weather is upsetting more than the fishing trends.

### Riverside Speedway Seeks New Sponsors

The Promotional Department of the Riverside Park Speedway in Agawam opens its sponsorship efforts with a brand new "Exposure Package" for the 1986 season, at the "New Riverside Park Speedway."

During the past three years, Riverside's promotional manager has received national recognition for his successful programs offered at Riverside. For 1986, manager Ben Dodge will offer an even better program.

"I have a strong policy regarding sponsorship in short track racing at Riverside. It is the promoter's duty to make an attractive package of the competition and sell that for a guaranteed return," said Dodge.

"Last year (in sponsorship money) I was able to raise in actual cash and bonus items close to \$100,000. These figures represent unique ways of selling the sport and placing it in a different league as a major attraction.

"As of November 1st, 1985, I have signed over \$40,000 in advance-committed-money for the competitors in all three divisions of the 1986 Nascar Winston Racing Series at Riverside. That list doesn't include the Budweiser Super Ten Series," Dodge added.

Riverside Park Speedway is well into a major renovation program that will feature a brand new race track with turns that are banked at 32 degrees and four lanes wide. It should be one of the fastest and finest Nascar Short tracks in the country.

Exposure 86 is part of the new Riverside Speedway and will attract individuals, companies and local businesses with major corporate sponsorship programs. This money will go, in its full amount, directly to the competitors through heat money, feature bonus money, and point money.

All the proceeds collected are added above the new 1986 Riverside Posted purse. In return for the dollars invested, the sponsor will receive a great deal of exposure. The event of Nascar Racing will be named and presented in his/her honor. Sponsors will also be a key ingredient in the program presentation itself.

Under the new program, the company representative will become a VIP executive" for his/her night, making key judgements in presentations, ad announcements, and more. The sponsor's group will receive VIP treatment, ad announcements on TV, radio, and in the news.

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More than 4.5 million people have found such an alternative — cross-country skiing. Last year alone, over half a million people discovered the beauty of the winter landscape through cross-country skiing, also referred to as "nordic" skiing. Once the domain of a relatively small number of "hard-core", "backwoods" types and international racers, cross-country skiing

has now become the fastest-growing winter sport in America.

Now, skiers can choose from an array of sturdier fiberglass or fiberglass/wood skis, with synthetic bottom surfaces requiring from moderate to no maintenance, some require no wax at all. Waxless skis have become very popular with all levels of skiers because of the ease with which people can now "step in and go" — be it at a touring center, on a golf course, in an open field, or in your own backyard.

Boots and bindings, too, have undergone extensive refinements. One of the most significant changes has been the development of the boot and binding "system." The original and most popular boot/binding combination is the Salomon Nordic System (SNS). Created by Salomon, the SNS consists of a raised central ridge in the lightweight binding plate which mates with a compatible central groove in the boot

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## Storowton Village Slates Flurry Of Fall Activities

Autumn in colonial America was a busy time with harvest chores looming, canned foods to be "put up" and daylight hours waning as the season progressed. Storowton Village, immersed in a flurry of fall activities, is no exception.

The antique village will host a number of tour groups this fall as well as hundreds of school children who participate in "Living History" classroom programs.

A Harvest Luncheon is planned for Monday, November 18th. The meal will reflect the types of foods early settlers would have put on their tables during the fall harvest, making use of the bounty from their farms and orchards.

The luncheon, which is open to the public by reservation, will feature some exciting variations of traditional foods. June Cook, village director, will offer unique ideas for your own harvest celebration at Thanksgiving.

Storowton's long-awaited cookbook is in production and expected on the shelves of the Carriage Trader and F. Potter General Store by Christmas. According to Mrs. Cook, the book contains "recipes from our best cooks" and the sought-after recipes for specialties served at the Village's Herbal Luncheons.

## Keep cross-country gear in shape

Here are six simple rules as the end of the ski season nears and you get set to pack away your cross-country ski gear until next season.

1. Repair all base, sidewall and topsheet gouges and delaminations.
2. Remove all wax on the base, then iron in a layer of base wax. With waxless skis, apply base wax to tip

and tail areas.

3. Store your skis where you wish. Some skiers prefer a cool, damp spot (a throwback to the days of wooden skis); and others prefer warm areas (some say the heat helps the wax penetrate the base).
4. Check your poles and repair if necessary before putting them away.

Tape poles together.

5. Make sure bindings are securely screwed in and check for any damage. If the screws are loose, tighten them before putting them in storage.
6. Apply a waterproofing solution to ski boots once they are dry, then stuff the boots with newspapers to help them maintain their shape.

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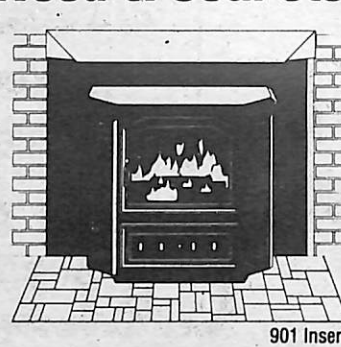
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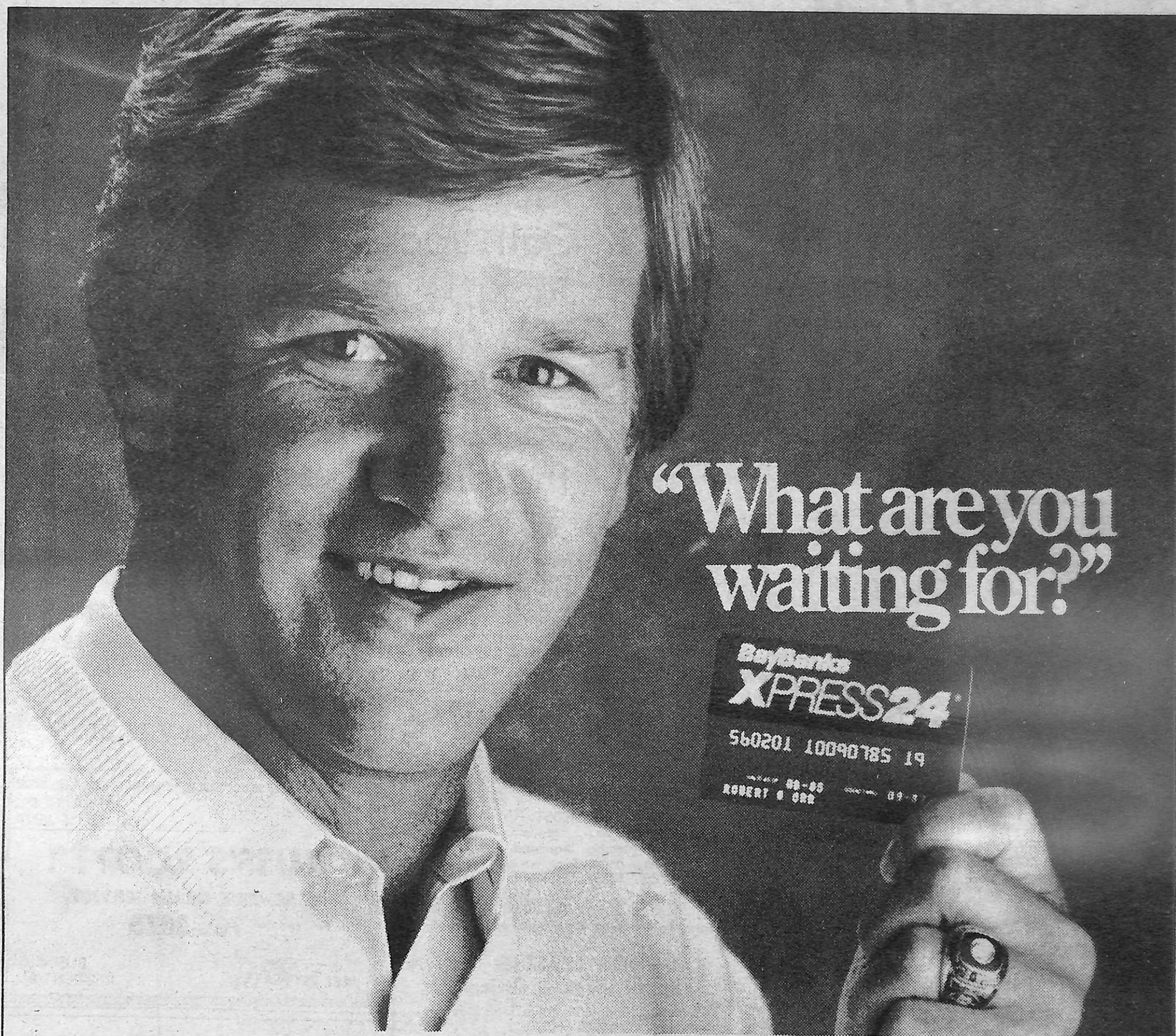


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